

Record Group 104. Entry 1.

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE,
1792-1899.

RG 104 RECORDS OF THE
BUREAU OF THE MINT
U.S. Mint At Philadelphia,
1791-1936

Correspondence, 1792-1904

GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE,
1792 - 1899

1875 - NOV.

To

1876 - JAN.

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U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1875 / NOVEMBER

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 1, st 1875.

Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of the 30th ult. transmitting the Melted and Refiner's Statement of Bullion operations for September 1875; also, Statement of Gold workings and Silver workings for the same month.

Very Respectfully
H. Linderman
Director.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Supt Mint U.S.
Philad^a

D. M.

Nov 1/75

MAK is Statement
Gold & Silver workings
for Sept rec^d

Rec^d Nov 2/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 1st, 1875.

Sir;

I am in receipt of yours of the 20th ultimo, and in reply would say that your letter enclosing the Mint memoranda of Mrs E. J. Gorham's account with check of Drexel & Co. for the sum of \$72.98, was duly received, and the same forwarded to Mrs Gorham on the 27th ultimo.

I will thank you to inform me if a letter from this office enclosing the sum of \$9.86, and mailed on the 29th ultimo in payment of the 8 proof trade dollars forwarded by you on the 28th ultimo was received —

I am Sir very respectfully

Hon James Pollock

Superintendent &c.

Philadelphia Pa

H. Linderman

Director

W. H. W.

Nov 1/75

Check for proceeds
Mr. S. J. Gahan
3 Silver Key, and
+ mailed to him
W. H. 986 - Aug 1/75
I. D. and.

Rec Nov 2/75

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

(Copy.)

1st November 1875

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent

Sir,
When Mr. A. Mason, the M^rR. of the Assay Office N.Y., was in this Mint last week, the undersigned learned from him that there was an accumulation of \$600,000 in Standard Silver of good coining quality lying in the Assay Office N.Y.

As we shall be slack of work in a few days, yet with an increased capacity for work, we respectfully ask you to solicit the Director to have the said Silver transferred to this Mint for coinage.

Respectfully Yours

(Signed)

Jas C Booth, M^rR

Wm E DuBois, Assayer

Not having seen Mr Mason, I can only join in the last paragraph, which I do most heartily.

(Signed)

A Loudon Snowden, Coiner

J C Booth mrs
W E DuBois assayer
Ad Shorden Coiner

1 Nov. 1875.

Mr A Mason states there
are 600,000, oz. std. silv.
at N.Y.A.O. Request to
ask D.M. to have it sent
to Mint.

Recd 1 Nov 75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 1st, 1875.

Sir

I am in receipt of your letter of the 30th ult. enclosing Coiner's Monthly Report of Coinage for October 1875; also, Coiner's Weekly Report of Coinage for week ending October 30th 1875.

Very Respectfully
H. Linderman
Director

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philad^a

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Nov. 1/75

Weekly or monthly
Reports of Louisiana

Recd Nov. 2/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 1, 1875.

Hon James Pollock,

Superintendent Mint, Philadelphia,

Sir,

I transmit herewith
a sealed package containing test or
pyr samples of Japanese Coinage with
the papers received from the State
Department relating to the same. You
will please direct the Assayer to
Assay these samples and make report
thereof through this office. The papers
transmitted will show what is
desired by the Government of Japan.
A few of the sealed parcels were inadver-
tently opened in the Office of the Secretary
of the Treasury before being delivered to
me. The contents however are intact. H. Lindemann
Director Mint.

Return the papers with the Assays Report
#1002

D. W.

Nov. 1/75

Forwards
package of pyx on test
Japanese coins for
assay and report

Rec Nov. 2/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 2^d, 1875.

Sir:

Your letter of the 1st instant enclosing Statement of Minor Coins Received, Redeemed, and exchanged, also Statement of Minor Coinage operations, for the month of October 1875 is received.

Very respectfully
H. A. Linderman

Director

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of
Philadelphia

D. M.

Nov. 2/75

Minor forage
statements for October
1875, recd.

Recd Nov. 3/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 3, 1870.

Sir,

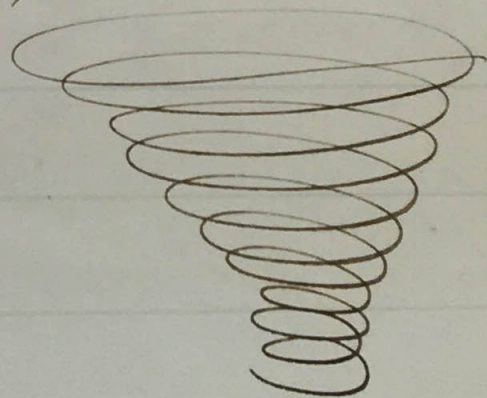
Your Requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your Mint during the current month has been approved for the sum of Thirty-two thousand four hundred dollars from the following Appropriations, viz:

Salaries	1876	\$ 3,400.-
Wages of Workmen	"	21,000.-
Contingent Expenses	"	8,000.-

Very respectfully,

H. K. H. H. H.
Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Sup. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



Black.

Nov 3/75

Requisition ~~for~~
November approved
for \$32,400. —

Rec'd Nov 4/75

Custom House, Wilmington, N. C.,

Collector's Office,

Nov. 3rd, 1875.

Sir:

I forward, this day, to the
Mint, per Express, the sum of
Fifty (\$50⁰⁰) dollars, in light gold coin,
for receipt & deposit to the credit
of the Treasurer, with Bond,
Treasurer, at Philadelphia.

Four (4) ten-dollar pieces

\$40.

Two (2) two and one-half dollar

5.

Five (5) One-dollar

5.

Total \$50⁰⁰

Very respectfully,

Joseph C. Abbott, Clerk

per R. W. Chaswell

James Pollock Esq
Supt N. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Pa

Custom House, Collector's Office,
WILMINGTON, N. C.,

Nov. 3^d, 1875.

Joseph C. Abbott
Collector.

Relating to eight
gold coin forwarded
per Express, \$50. for
recoinage.

No. of Enclosures, —

Recd Nov. 5. 1875.

Custom House, Wilmington, N. C.,

Collector's Office, Nov. 3rd, 1875.

Sir:

I have this day received, with your letter of the 1st instant, Co of D # 85, in duplicate, issued by the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at Philadelphia under date of Oct. 29th. 1875, for the sum of \$188²⁸ gold coin, the same being the proceeds of the re-coinage of \$189³⁰ light gold coin, forwarded by me to you for recoinage under date of the 25th ultimo.

Very respectfully,

Joseph C. Abbott, Coll
per R. W. Chadwick, Treas.

James Pollock Esq
Supl. N. S. Mint.
Philadelphia
Pa.)

Custom House, Collector's Office,

WILMINGTON, N. C.,

Nov. 3rd, 1875.

Joseph C. Abbott

Collector.

Acknowledging
Receipt of Expd
#85 - \$188²⁵
Light gold received.

No. of Enclosures, —

Recd Nov. 5/75

Mint of the United States,

~~CHIEF~~ COINER'S DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, Nov. 3rd 1875.

Hon James Pollock
Superintendent.

Sir;

I have the honor to state that J. S. Thorh, employed in this Department, was engaged, with others, on the 2nd of July 1875, in removing some heavy pieces of machinery from the back portico of the Mint, for storage in the yard of the said Institution, and whilst so engaged had his foot crushed by the accidental fall of one of the heaviest pieces. His injuries were examined and cared for by Dr. Thomas G. Morton and it was five weeks before he was able to resume his labors in the Mint.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

A. Landon Snowden

Coiner
12.

A. L. Snowden &
Coises
Nov 3^d / 78

Reporting injuries
Recd by J. A. Moore,
in discharge of duty.

Recd Nov 3 / 78

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 4th, 1875.

Sir;

Acknowledging the receipt of your letter of yesterday, in reference to furnishing Mr Lombat of Paris with copies of certain medals, I have to call your attention to my letter of May 28th ultimo, and to ask your compliance with the request made in the concluding paragraph of the same.

The "metis" medal may be entered on the list of public medals, and bronze copies furnished to individuals at the price proposed in your letter, viz: \$1.50

The John Horn medal may also be added to the same list.

It is not deemed best to have any copies of the
Hon Janus Pollock
Superintendent of
Philadelphia Pa
Life-saving

Life Saving medal struck, - except one copy in bronze of the 1st Class, and one in bronze of the 2^d class, for transmission by this office through the State Department, which I will request Mr Loubat to return when he shall have sketched them for the work which he is about to issue.

After being returned here by Mr Loubat, they will be sent to you for defacement and cancellation.

The course above indicated in respect to the Life Saving medals, is deemed the proper one to pursue until such time at least as the original medals shall have been struck therefrom, and presented under the provisions of law authorizing the dies to be struck.

I am Sir very respectfully
H. R. Linderman
Director.

D. W. ~~7~~
Nov. 4/75

The "Melis" and
"John Horn" medals
may be entered
in the medal list.

One Copy is being
of the "Life Saving"
Medals 1st & 2^d class to
be forwarded to the Directors
for M. Loubat, Paris. -
but not to go in the
Medal List.

Recd Nov. 5/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 4, 1875.

Sir:

In compliance with the request contained in your letter of the 3^d instant, I have taken measures for the transfer from the Assay Office New York to your Mint of the Standard Silver referred in your letter, and which will probably reach you by Monday next.

Very respectfully,
A. A. Vandergriff

Director

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of
Philadelphia

W. M.

Nov. 4/78

\$600,000² Standard
Silver for Coinage
will be transferred
from the N.Y. Assay
Office to the Mint
by Monday next.

Recd Nov. 5/78

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 4th, 1875.

Sir;

So much of your letter transmitting the annual estimates, as referred to the defective condition of the front portico, having been sent to the Secretary of the Treasury, that officer has directed the Supervising Architect to put up new columns in the place of the old ones, and otherwise repair that portion of the building.

The Supervising Architect having submitted the fact that the repairs would be incomplete unless the north front, and both flanks were cleaned. I have to say that the same may be done by you, —
the

Hon James Pollock,
Superintendent &c
Philadelphia Pa

- the expenses not to exceed, say, five, or six thousand, ~~\$5,000~~ or ~~\$6,000~~, dollars. to be paid out of your contingent fund.

I am Sir, very respectfully
H. Robinson

Director.

D. M.

Nov. 4/78

Supervising Archi-
-tect authorized by the
Secy Treasry to put up
new columns to the
Mint portico.

Supt authorized
to have north front &
flanks of the Mint
cleaned - cost not to
exceed \$5,000. or \$6,000.

Rec Nov 5/78

Bender has been a good
Republican all his life -
is a worthy man and
hard up - his wife in
failing health - we took
our boy in then and
nursed him through
a dangerous illness when
he was injured on 1891

The Secretary has promised
a place for him soon
as vacancy can be
found. I would like to
have the Copying of the
records completed and
You must make Binder
start regular at the

Make so that he
renders service for pay —
You will find him
a very decent & worthy
man — J. L.

The depression in the iron trade
has still more ruined all
small traders. &c.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Nov. 4, 1875.

Hon James Pollock,
Dear Sir,

You will do me a
favor by placing Geo. H. Bender of
Easton, Pa. on your Wages Roll,
at say \$5⁵⁰ per day, and assign
him the duty of completing the
Record for the use of this Office,
of ~~rather~~ copies of the correspondence
between the Secretary of the Treasury
and the Director of the Mint,
from the establishment of the latter,
July 5th 1834
to X when the records of the
Treasury Dept. were destroyed
in the fire of that year.

I do not know how far J. H. Bender
progressed with the work before he

left for California.

There should be a complete copy of all the letters of the director & letters from the Treasury Department to the director. Without this the records of this office are incomplete.

The appointment to ^{be} temporary and not to extend beyond a reasonable time for the completion of the work.

Please send for Mr. Bender as soon as convenient His address is Gen. H. Bender
Easton
Pa

Yours Truly
H. K. K. K. K.

D.M.
4 Nov 1875.
Requesting appt
of G. H. Bender to
copy corresp, print &
trans Dept up to 1834,
for office of D.M.

Recd 5 Nov 75

Richmond Nov 4th 75-

Sir

Yours of the 1st inst
enclosing \$2⁶⁰ The value
of the coin sent you on
the 30th has been received,
am under obligations for
your kindness and
remain yours Res^{ly}

A. P. Berry

To Supt
of US Mint

A. J. Berry
Richmond Va
Nov. 4/78

Ack'g recd of
\$2.60 Amney,
proceeds of sale
of a batton
1/4 Eagle.

Recd Nov. 5/78

Treasury Department,
First Comptroller's Office.
November 14. 1875.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your account for the ordinary expenses of the Mint at Philadelphia for the quarter ending September 30. 1875, has been adjusted at the Treasury, per Report No. 198749; and there is found due the United States a balance of \$5,757 ¹²/₁₀₀, the same agreeing with your statement.

Very Respectfully,

R. W. Fay
Comptroller.

~~Mr~~ ~~Mr~~
Mr R. W. Taylor
1st Comptroller Reading
Washington D.C.
Nov. 4/75

Ordly Expense a/c
for Dr. Ending Sept 30/75
adjusted & found
correct

Recd Nov 5/75

Danversville Wis Nov 5/75

Supt U S Mint

Dear Sir

Will you
assay Gold Ring for me. And what
will be price for assay On your
reply we will forward gold &c
An early reply would greatly
oblige

Truly Yours
Webb & Hall

Yes - the charge is
one doll. (currency)
parts not used, will be
returned.

Webb & Hall
Janesville Wis
5 Nov 1875

Deane gold ring
assayed.

Rec'd Nov 75
~~Nov 8~~ Nov 8775

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 5th, 1875.

Sir;

I return herewith the bill of Dr. Thomas G. Morton for professional services rendered Mr. J. S. Thorp for injuries sustained while employed in the Mint Service in July ultimo.

In consideration of the facts stated in your letter of the 2nd instant, you are hereby authorized to pay the same from the Contingent fund of your Mint.

I am Sir very respectfully

Wm. H. Woodman

Hon James Pollock,
Superintendent &
Philadelphia Pa.

Director.

D. M.
Nov 5/75

Authorizing the
payt of Dr. Morton
bill for attendance on
J. S. Murphy #20. —

Rec Nov 6/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,
November 5, 1875.

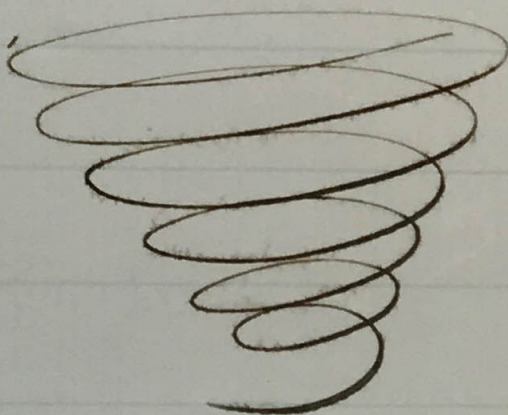
Sir,

The appointment of Miss Mary Louisa Pollock as Adjuster in the Coiners' Department of your Mint at a compensation of \$1.75 per diem vice Ella Thorn, resigned, submitted in your communication of the 4th inst. is hereby approved to take effect from this date.

Very respectfully.

Director.

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.



Recd
Nov. 5/75

Apptg appt 4
Miss M. S. Pollock
as Adjuster at \$1.75
per diem

Recd Nov. 6/75

99 Bank St.
Chicago Nov. 5. 1873-
H. C. Hickok Esq. Acting Supt
Phila. Pa.

Dear Sir:- In re-
gard to the electrotypes of U.S.
cents which I sent to you
in Aug. last, I would like
to know if the making of
them is a punishable offense.
I have received a letter this
morning, from the man who
had them made, and he offers
to refund the money I paid
for them. He left the city
just after selling the coins, but
I quietly traced him up and
his letter of this morning is
the result. The electrotypes
were made in this city. Any
information on the subject

will be thankfully received.
I have the honor to be,

Very Truly Yours.

J. A. Pierce

The electrotypes are all in
my possession and will not
be offered for sale. I sell gen-
uine only.

JAP

J. A. Pierce
Chicago Ill
5 Nov 1878

Relative to
Electrotypes of
U.S. coins

Recd Nov. 8/78

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 5th 1875.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of \$126 805.30 to be transferred from the Bullion Fund of the U.S. Assay Office at N.Y. to that of your Mint, payable in 104,366.50 ounces pure silver at \$1.21 1/2 per ounce fine.

Very respectfully
W. B. E. Bland

Director

Hon James Pollock
Capt of Mint
Philadelphia

W. M.

Nov. 5/75

\$126,805.³⁰ pay-
-able in 104,366.⁵⁰ oz,
pure silver @ \$1.21¹/₂ fine
will be forwarded to
the Bullion Fund of the
Mint, from the N
Y Assay Office.

Recd Nov 6/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 6th, 1875.

Sir;

I have this day received your letter of the 5th instant; the date of my letter relative to the bronze copies of the "Metis" medal should have read May 24th ultimo - instead of the 28th - which occurred through a clerical error.

I find that during my absence, the copies of the medals (wax impressions) forwarded by you on the 2^d of August ultimo, were sent by the Acting Director, to Frank Leslie on the 18th idem, to be sketched for his paper. You will therefore please forward the copies as indicated in your letter of the 5th instant.

I am Sir, very respectfully

Hon James Pollock

Superintendent &c
Philadelphia Pa

H. Linderman

Director

D. M.

Nov. 6/75

Prize medals for
Mr. Loubat, Paris
to be forwarded to
the Director as
stated in Dept
letter of Nov. 5/75

Recd Nov. 8/75

No. 1231

MEMORANDUM of GOLD BULLION deposited at the MINT of the UNITED STATES

at Philadelphia, the 9th day of Novem 1875, by G. L. Thompson

NOTE.—This Memorandum is for the information of the Depositor, and is of no other Value.

DESCRIPTION OF BULLION	WEIGHT				FINENESS	VALUE OF THE GOLD		SILVER PARTED FROM THE GOLD			DEDUCTIONS		NET VALUE			
	BEFORE MELTING		AFTER MELTING			Dollars	Cts.	FINENESS	Value		Dollars	Cts.	Dollars	Cts.		
	Ounces	Dec.	Ounces	Dec.					1,000th.	1,000th.					Dollars	Cts.
U. S. Foreign Coin		1849	18	49	904	345	53						345	53		
Treas U. S. Washington																

Duplicate
\$348.52

Duplicate
\$348.52

I Certify that the net amount of the above Deposit is Three hundred and Forty five ⁵³ Dollars.
 Payable at the Mint, only on presentation of the receipt of a corresponding date and number heretofore issued.

Gold Coin \$ 345.53
 Gold Bars \$
 Silver Coin \$
 Silver Bars \$

JAMES POLLOCK,
 Superintendent of the Mint.

By

G. L. Thompson

All Official Letters to the Treasurer's Office must be addressed to the "Treasurer of the U. S.," and in replying to Letters from the "Treasurer's Office," the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

Treasury of the United States,

J.B.

Washington, Nov. 8, 1875.

Sir:

I forward you this day per Adams Express the following named coin:—

Sight U. S. Gold \$185.

Mutilated U. S. Gold 26.50

25 English Sovereigns at 4.⁸⁶ 121.50

1 Mexican Doubloon 15.52 \$348.52

And

Mutilated U. S. Silver \$52.07

Foreign Silver 30.65 82.72

\$431.24

The proceeds of the gold you will please deposit with the Asst. Treasurer U. S. at Philadelphia in Transfer Account to the credit of the Treasurer U. S. and for proceeds of the silver forward new silver

silver coin to this Office by Adams
Express.

Very Respectfully
Wm. M. Wymore

Apt. Treasurer U. S.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia

Al Wyman
U^s Asst Treas, Washington
8 Nov 1875.

Forwarding mutilated and
foreign coins

Gold \$ 348.52

Silver 82.72

\$ 431.24

for recoinage - with
instructions for returns.

[Ans. 12/75 Mint Mem.
Nos. 301 & 1231 filed
Perin.]

Recd Nov 9/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 8, 1875.

Sir,

Referring to a letter from this office under date of August 28, 1875, I find that Kelso Johnson was appointed a Laborer in the General Department of your Mint from September 1, 1875. On your pay-rolls for last month his name appears in the Miners Department.

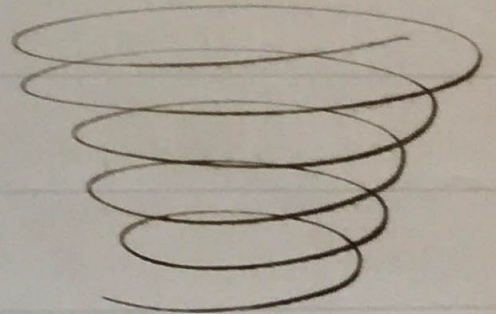
I have to request that in all cases of transfers from one to another operative department you will notify this office.

Very respectfully,

H. R. Anderson

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



Roll
Nov 8/75

Relative to R. Johnson,
appointed in General Dep't,
being on Coimer's pay roll
for October.

Roll Nov 9/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 8, 1875.

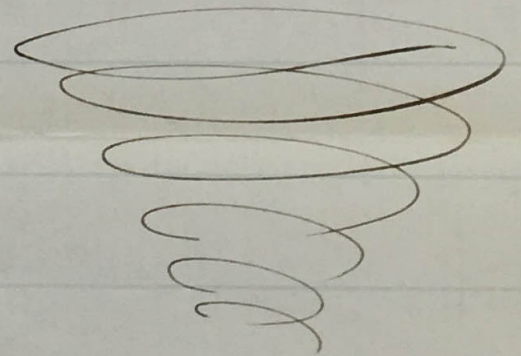
Sir,

I have this day referred to the Accounting Officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Ordinary Expense Account for the month of October, 1875.

Very respectfully,
W. B. Anderson

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.



~~Dec 10~~

Nov 8/75

Ord. Ac. for Oct. re-
ferred to Accounting
Officers.

Recd Nov 9/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 8, 1875.

Sir.

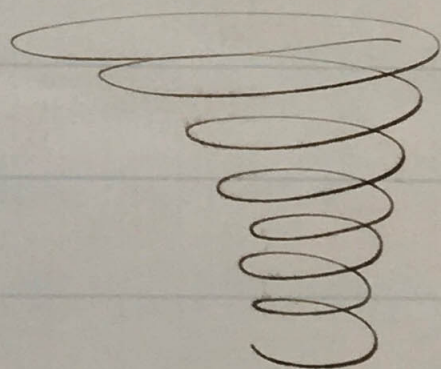
The appointment of Mr. Geo. H. Bender as Recorder (Temporary) in the General Department of your Mint at a compensation of \$5.50 per diem, submitted in your communication of the 6th inst., is hereby approved, to take effect from this date.

Very respectfully.

H. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.



Date

Nov 8/75

Approving appointment
of Geo. H. Bender, Recorder
in Gen. Dept. @ \$5.50 p.d.
temporarily.

Recd Nov 17/75

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

(-copy.)

15th November 1875.

Hon James Pollock
Superintendent

Sir I recently received the enclosed bills of the engineer Mr. John C. Trautwine. Mr Trautwine was engaged at the Mint for a couple of days in surveying the localities in the Mint for storing water to determine its practicability. He determined upon the locality which we have adopted, and calculated the form and size of the tanks required. It was partly on his Report of cost of tanks that our contract for supply of Artesian Well-water was made with Messrs. Melvin & Morris. I understand from Mr Cooperthwaite that about \$290. of the appropriation for the well was returned to the Treasury Dept. May I ask you the favor to transmit this note & bills to the Director.

Very Truly Yours

(Signed)

Jas. C. Booth
JCB

Jas L Book
M & R

8 Nov 1878

Presenting bill of J. C.
Grant wine, of Artesian
Well, \$25⁰⁰/₄

Recd 8 Nov 78

P. M.

H. S. Muir Philadelphia
Nov^r 1875

Hon James Pollock

Sir.

On finding my stock of steel used for making Coinage dies, ~~was~~ running low, and knowing it takes about 3 Months for the manufacturer to make an article expressly for our use, I submitted for your consideration, the propriety of giving another order at once.

As the question again arises between imported steel and domestic, I beg leave to extract from a letter I had the honor of sending to you on that subject in 1874,

" We require two apparently opposite qualities in die steel
" viz tenacity or toughness to resist the blow of the hub without
" splitting, when soft, and hardness to resist the coin when
" the die is hardened and in use. These two qualities combined
" in nice proportions, tax all the skill and experience of the steel
" maker. Now as steel cutters, Agricultural tools &c &c require
" only one quality viz hardness, and as steel rail &c &c only the
" other quality viz toughness, and as each of these articles
" create a demand exceeding ours by many thousand times,
" it follows that native manufacturers will devote their skill
" to supply this great demand, rather than to go experimenting

to produce our delicate combination of qualities. When our demand
is only one small order over a series of years. I assume therefore
that American Manufacturers, will not turn their attention
from that kind of steel which has a large demand, and requires
little trouble, to that which like ours is attended with great
trouble and requires much experiment, and has only one consumer.
It is no disparagement to American Manufacturers to say, as yet
they cannot make our steel. They would never have done it in
England. had not their old Looms existed in the same families
generations back, when they had no railroad bars, little cutting
and less reaping, sewing, and other machines to take their
attention off constant experiment for improvement.

On difference of cost, we have been paying for American
steel, made for us from 35 cents. to 50 cents per lb. 50 ^{all} principal
and this with an amount of breakage (for which we receive 1 cent
per lb.) that would endanger the steady working of the
whole establishment, leaving out the loss of labor on each
die broken, excluding the cost of steel 500 times over.

The same steel we had before I find is reduced in price
and can be made for us for ^{cents} 16 ^{cents} 1/2, ^{cents} 17 ^{cents} 1/2 and 18 ^{cents} 1/2 in Gold according
to our varying sizes. including duties, and all charges except
Cartage from Master at here.

I am Sir.
Very Respectfully Yours
Wm. B. Cragg

Wm Barber,
Engraver

8 Nov 1875.

Relative to ordering Steel
for Dies. Comparison of
English and American, in
quality and price.

Recd Nov. 8/75

All Official Letters to the Treasurer's Office must be addressed to the "Treasurer of the U. S.," and in replying to Letters from the "Treasurer's Office," the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

Treasury of the United States,

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Washington, Nov. 8th, 1875.

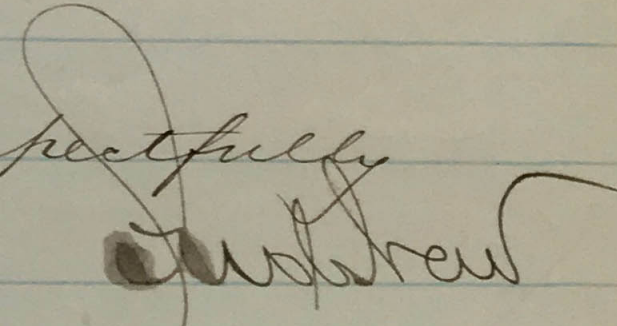
Sir:

Transfer Order # 3140, favor of the Adams Express Co., for the transportation of Three hundred thousand dollars, in large "Gold coin", from your Office to the Assist. Treasurer U. S. New York, has this day been issued.

Will you please fill this order with "Double Eagles, Eagles and Half Eagles" of "Amount weighing a $\frac{1}{4}$ of a grain or more, above the least current weight", as reported to you, by the "Coiner of the Mint", in his letter of the 30th ulto.

Respectfully

Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.


Treasurer U. S.

J. C. New,
Treasurer of the U.S.

8 Nov 1875-

Notifying issue of S.O. 3140
for \$300,000. in gold coin
to be sent to A.T. at N.Y.
Directions for filling: coin
to be $\frac{1}{4}$ gr above least current
weight.

Correspondence
U. S. Mint
& Branch Mints

November, 1875.

Recd Nov 9/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 9th, 1875.

Sir:

Your letter of the 8th instant enclosing the proposals of Messrs Nathan Trotter & Co of Philadelphia and Pope Cole & Co of Baltimore for furnishing 5000 lbs copper is received. The bid of Messrs Trotter & Co, being the lowest you are authorized to accept the same, provided they deliver the copper at the Mint free of all charges.

The proposals are returned herewith.

Very respectfully

A. B. Mendenhall

Director

Hon James Pollock
5th Mint Bldg
Philadelphia

D. M.

Nov. 9/75

Approving pro-
posal of Nathan
Scott & Co. to fur-
nish 5,000 lb

Copper, for minor
work at $22\frac{7}{8}$ cts
per lb

Recd Nov 10/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 9th, 1875.

Sir

If you have any copies remaining of the Mint Report for 1874, I will thank you to transmit as many as you can spare for the disposal of this Office, as we have entirely run out.

Very Respectfully.

A. B. Anderson

Director.

Hon. Jas. Pollock

Supr. Mint Uf.

Philadelphia.

D. M.

Nov 9/75

Requesting copies of
Mint Report of 1874.

Recd Nov 10/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 9th, 1875.

Sir;

I have approved the bill of John C. Trantwine, forwarded with your letter of the 8th instant, and referred the same to the accounting officers for settlement, and in due course of business a draft will be transmitted Mr Trantwine for the amount.

Very respectfully
H. Linderman

Director

Hon James Rollock
Fifth Mint St
Philadelphia

W. M.

Nov 9/78

Bill of J. C. Brantwine
approved & draft will be
forwarded.

Recd Nov 10/78

H. M.

Nov 9/75

Inquiring unexpended
balance 18th 4-75 deposited
to credit Artesian Well
approp'n.

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Rec'd Nov 10/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Nov 9th, 1875.

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Sir:

I have this day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of One hundred thousand dollars (\$100000) in subsidiary silver coin to be transferred from the bullion fund of your Mint to the Treasurer of the U.S. the charges for transportation to be paid from silver profit funds.

Very respectfully
A. B. Anderson

Director

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

H. W.

Nov 9/75

\$100,000. Subs Silver
to be transferred.

Recd Nov 10/75

Mint of the United States,

CHIEF COINER'S DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, November 9th 1875.

Hon. James Pollock,
Superintendent.

Sir;

The undersigned as requested, have made a thorough test of annealing five cent Nickel planchets, with a view of ascertaining whether a very high heat would so destroy the ductility of the metal, as to render the coin subsequently struck therefrom, so brittle, as to be broken by the fingers, as was claimed to be the case in the piece sent from Louisville.

In the experiment three parcels of planchets from the same melt and rolling, were taken, - one parcel annealed to a light cherry red, - the second, almost to a white heat, and the third was allowed to remain in the furnace until the heat had consumed nearly one third of the planchet. The first and second lot were found to be about equally ductile, - in the last, one or

two pieces were brittle - that is easily broken with a hammer, but not breakable with the fingers. No such pieces as resulted from the last annealing are ever issued, as their appearance would reject them at the Coining press, or if not there, at the Counting board. The piece sent from Louisville is the first brittle piece ever known to have been issued by the Mint, and can only be accounted for as a curious oddity, resulting from causes not fully explained by any experiments that have been made with a view of throwing light on the subject. The experiments did prove however, that when blanks are overheated, they sometimes break when hot, but the subsequent dipping in cold water, or cooling by the air, restores the ductility of the metal. As the Louisville piece was struck when it was cold it should have been ductile.

As the Mint has coined and issued over one hundred and forty-three millions (143,000,000) pieces of the same denomination, and alloy, and as this is the

first, so far as we know, that has failed to meet the objects of its issue, it is, to say the least, not an alarming discovery.

That there should be now and then a piece issued, in some one way or the other defective, is to be expected, when we consider the enormous number of these coins issued, and farther remember that the manipulations of the metals are on a large scale, and not therefore treated with the delicate care that would be bestowed where nice experiments were conducted.

It is probable that the piece sent from Louisville was overheated in the annealing furnace, and this in conjunction with a peculiar condition of the metal at the time produced the brittle condition. The piece may therefore be considered anomalous.

We are very respectfully,

Yours Obedt. Servants

London & New York
Coiners.

Wm E DuBois Assayer.

A. S. Snowden Coiner
J. E. DuBois Assayer

9 Nov 1875

Relative to brittle 5¢
Nickel; only one in
143,000,000 coined -
brittleness due to over-
heating probably.

Recd Nov 9/75

Newark Smelting & Refining Works,
Edward Balbach & Son.
PROPRIETORS.

Newark, N. J. Nov 9th 1875

Mr. James Pollock.
Supt. of the U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia.
Dear Sir.

We today received from the Adams Express \$385⁰⁰ Gold Coin, they stating that you had refused to accept same in payment of the 50 Brls. sweep purchased, on account of it being to light.

This we cannot understand as we received the coin from the U. S. Treas. in New York, and think that for this reason it should not fall short in weight, or at least that the Mint would accept same.

We have forwarded to you by express (unpaid) the same coin, and hope you will accept it, however, should you refuse, we will be compelled to refer the matter to the Authorities at Washington.

We will thank you to remit us the \$1.⁰⁰ Express charges on the \$385.⁰⁰ returned.

Yours respectfully
E. Balbach & Son

Of the \$385 perhaps \$60
might have passed muster.
But it was a bad lot, and the
reputation of the mint ought not
to be jeopardized at all. Some
of the 70-71-72 pieces were
 $\frac{3}{4}$ or lighter.

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E. Balbach & Son
Newark N.J.
Nov 9/75

Complained of the
refusal to receive
the gold coin they
forwarded in payment
of sweeps

Recd Nov 10/75

Mint Copy.

U. S. Assay Office at N. Y. Nov. 9th 1875

Third shipment of Fine Silver on 2^d Second purchase of sort Silver at San Francisco. Refined at U. S. Assay Office at N. Y.

Melt No.	Bars	Gross Weight		Fineness	Standard Weight		@ 1000 $\frac{7}{16}$ Pure Silver		Value of Pure Silver @ 12 1/2 proz. G. C.	
		oz.	dec		oz.	dec	oz.	dec		
565	25	16 ³ ₄	4 434 10	996	4 907 07	1	4 416 36			
569	26	16 ⁴ ₄	4 595 10	997	5 090 35	1	4 581 31			
540-549	53	16 ⁵ ₄	9 176 55	997 1/2	10 170 67	1	9 153 61			
541-'63-'73-'75@'77	235	16 ⁶ ₄	40 363 70	998	44 758 86	1	40 282 97			
582-'91-'95.										
538-'39-'50-'53-'93.	321	16 ⁷ ₄	46 001 25	998 1/2	51 035 83	1	45 932 25			
594-'70-'71-'72										
			863649							
	660		104 570 70		115 962 78		104 366 50		126 805 30	

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Covered by Transfer Order *3136 dated Nov. 6th 1875

Transfer Silo
W S A Wm,

Novem 9th 1871

\$126805.30

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 10, 1875.

Sir.

I have received your communication of the 9th inst informing me of the resignation of Mrs. M. J. Rose, Adjister in the Coiners Department of your Mint from the 1st inst.

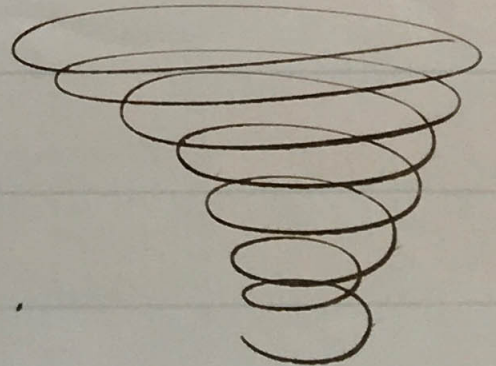
The proper change has been made on the books of this office.

Very respectfully,

H. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock.
Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.



Red

Nov 10/75

Acknowledging notice of
resignation of Mrs. M. J. Rose,
C. Dept.

Red Nov 11/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 10th, 1875.

Sir;

Your letter of the 9th instant, advising me of the shipment of certain medals in bronze for the use of Mr Loubat of Paris, per the Adams Express Co has been received.

The medals have also been received.

I am Sir, very respectfully

H. Lindemann

Director

Hon James Pollock
Superintendent &
Philadelphia Pa.

Date.

Nov 10/78

Acknowledging medals
for M Loubat of Paris.

Recd Nov 11/78

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 10th, 1878.

Sir;

In reply to your letter of the 9th instant, making inquiry relative to a recent order for certain dies for the use of the Carson Mint, I have to say that the attention of Superintendent Crawford was called to the apparent error, and he was requested to inform this office at once in relation thereto, in order that the necessary corrections could be made.

I am Sir, very respectfully

H. R. Anderson

Hon James Pollock,
Superintendent &c.,
Philadelphia.

Director.

Recd

Nov 10/75

*Supt. Crawford's attention
called to apparent error
in order for dies for R.C.*

Recd Nov 11/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 10, 1875.

Sir,

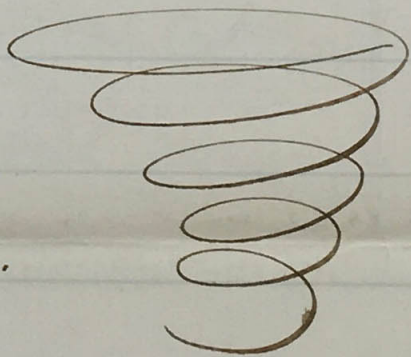
I have received your communication of the 9th inst. enclosing the Official Oath of Miss M. L. Pollock, Adjuster in the Coiners' Department of your Mint.

Very respectfully.

W. H. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock.
Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia.



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Nov 10/75

Acknowledging oath of
Miss M. L. Pollock C. Dept.

Recd Nov 11/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 10th, 1875.

Sir;

I have received your letter of yesterday in which you suggest that the expense of cleaning the north front and flank of the mint building should be paid out of the fund appropriated for the repair and preservation of Public Buildings, on account of the inadequacy of your contingent fund.

The repairing of the columns having been undertaken by the Supervising Architect with the understanding that the mint would clean the building, you will please have the work done at the most economical rates; and should your contingent fund fall short, we will have an advance made to you from another available fund.

I am, Sir, very respectfully

Hon James Pollock
Philadelphia Pa.

H. Linderman
Director

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Nov 10/75

Cleaning of North Front and
flank to be done by Mint.

An advance can be made,
if Cont. Appn falls short, from
another available fund.

Recd Nov 11/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 10th, 1875.

Sir

I have received your letter of the 9th inst. with the following enclosures, viz:

Report of Assay of Japanese Coins,
Package of Gold and Silver chips, the
residue from the Assays,

Papers from the Department of State.

Very respectfully
H. Lindemann
Director.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philadelphia.

Recd

Nov 10/78

Acknowledging report of
assay of Japanese Coins.

Recd Nov 11/78

AGRICULTURAL HOTEL
Coon & Scranton, Proprietors.

Fort Collins, Colo. Nov 14th 1875

Superintendent U. S. Mint Phila

Dear Sir

I am
in possession of a mine containing Nickel
ore, the average per cent of which is 3.82.
Would you be so kind as to inform me
of their marketable value, and where that
market is. In my opinion, by concentration
the percentage may be materially increased.
Fifty dollars per ton well mined, treated, and
delivered the ore to any point on the Atlantic
coast.

Very Resp. Yours

R. H. Smythe

Fort Collins
Col

Superintendent U. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Penn

R. K. Smythe
Fort Collins Colorado
10 Nov 1875.

Inquiring market
for Nickel Ore.

Recd 17 Nov 75 ~~Recd 17 Nov 75~~

Danversville Nov 10/73

Supt U S Mint

Dear Sir

Will you
please send us assay of Enchanted
Ring. You can return by Amⁿ-
Express & asky

Truly Yours

We enclose One dollar

W. B. & Hall

currency for assay

Webb & Kall
Lanesville, Wis.
10 Nov 1875

Forw. gold ring
for assay - &
\$1⁰⁰ ~~00~~ cy. charge

Recd Nov 15/75

The
Mint of the United States,
at
Philadelphia, Novr 11, 1875

Note for the Supd^r.

The first N^o. of gold from
U.S. Assay office N.Y. is
919½ fine by invoice.

By our assay it is 929½.

Please ascertain from them if
this is their error, in changing
one figure.

Respy

W E DuBois
Assayer

W E DuBois

Cassayer

11 Nov 1875

Apparent error in A.O.,
N.Y. invoice, sold.

Recd 11 Nov 75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Nov 11th, 1875.

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 10th you are informed that the coin referred therein, being above the least current weight, it cannot be received. I have referred your letter to the Treasurer of the United States for such action as he may deem proper in the premises.

Very respectfully
H. R. Ransom
Director

Hon James Pollock
Supr Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

Rule

11 Nov 1875

Gold coin above least current
weight cannot be recoined.
Subject referred to Sec. Treas.

Recd Nov. 12/75

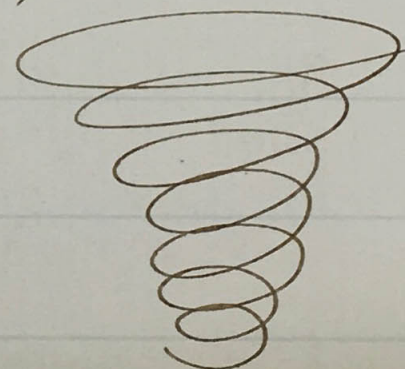
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Sir,

W. Vanderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



H. M.

11 Nov 1875

Acknowledging oath of
G. H. Bender, Gen. Dept.

Recd Nov 12/75

Custom House, Wilmington, N. C.,

Collector's Office,

Nov^r 11. , 1875.

Sir:

I have this day received with your letter of the 9th inst, Cash & Co in duplicate, annexed by the Assistant Treasurer U.S. at Philadelphia under date of Nov. 8. 1875, for the sum of Forty-nine ⁶⁷/₁₀₀ ⁴⁹/₁₀₀ dollars, in Coin, the same being the proceeds of \$500. light gold coin, forwarded from this Office to the Mint for receipt under date of the 3rd. instant.

Very respectfully,
Joseph C. Abbott, Jr.
per R. W. Chadwick, Dyler

James Pollock, Esq
Dept. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Pa.

Custom House, Collector's Office,

WILMINGTON, N. C.,

Nov. 11, 1875

Joseph B. Abbott
Collector.

Acknowledging
Receipt of Cash
#87 \$49.67 of
light gold received.

No. of Enclosures, —

Recd Nov 13/75

Mint of the United States,

RECEIVER'S OFFICE,

Philadelphia, Nov. 11. 1875.

Sir:

Of the sum of \$1025.⁸¹ remitted by Adams Express by E. Balbach & Son for receipts, I rejected nineteen D. Eagles for light weight, as follows:

	<u>Date</u>	
1 piece	1868 (s)	1 $\frac{3}{16}$ grs light
"	1858 (s)	1 $\frac{7}{8}$ "
"	1871 (s)	1 $\frac{1}{16}$ "
"	1865 (s)	1 "
"	1864	$\frac{15}{16}$ "
"	1872 (s)	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
"	1863 (s)	1 $\frac{7}{8}$ "
This piece is within the limit (20 years)	1853	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
"	1863 (s)	1 "
"	1861 (s)	2 $\frac{1}{16}$ "
"	1872 (s)	1 $\frac{7}{16}$ "
"	1864 (s)	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "
"	1866 (s)	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ "
"	1868 (s)	1 $\frac{7}{8}$ "
"	1870 (c.c)	1 $\frac{1}{2}$

1 piece	1874 (s)	⁸²⁵ 3/4 + light
"	1870 (cc)	1 1/8 "
"	1868 (s)	1 1/2 "
"	1870 (s)	1 1/4 "

I rejected these pieces in accordance with my understanding of the law fixing the standard of weight to be observed by the Dept. of issue. And in rejecting them I have had in view the maintenance of the reputation of the Mint, which only pays out gold coin on *C.O.* to actual depositors.

Respectfully Yours

Wm. B. Coker

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent

Mint of the U.S.
Philad^a

M. H. Cobb
Cashier

11 Nov 1875

Reporting 19 W.C. from
E. Balbach & Sons rejected
for light weight.

Recd Nov. 11/75

IN ORDER to avoid DETENTION of Draymen, SHIPPERS are requested to FILL UP this BILL OF LADING and INVOICE attached.

FORM W, No. 8.-A.

PENNSYLVANIA RAIL ROAD COMPANY.

UNITED RAILROADS OF NEW JERSEY DIVISION.

WALTER FREEMAN, General Freight Agent U. R. R. N. J. Division, Philadelphia.

N. L. DOUGLASS, Freight Agent,
Pier No. 39, North River, New York.

L. N. WALTON, Freight Agent,
No. 4 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.

GEO. B. RAYMOND, Freight Agent,
Pier No. 1, North River, New York.

Received of

Philadelphia, Nov. 11 1875
Mr. Cooperthwaite W.S. Mum

Fifty (50) Bbls. shingles

MARKED:

E. Babrick & Son

to be transported to

Newark

and

delivered to

N. J.

or order, upon the following

TERMS:

1. The Company's liability is not to commence until the goods are actually received and ready for transportation, and it is to terminate on delivery at the Company's wharf or depot, or such other convenient place as they may provide for that purpose, or (if not sooner removed) shall terminate without notice or demand, at the end of six working hours after they are ready for delivery at such point or place, and if not removed within that time they may be either held or stored, at the sole risk and expense of the owner or whom it may concern, and without insurance.
2. In the case of goods to be forwarded beyond this Company's line, their liability is to extend only to their own portion of the route over which the goods are to be transported.
3. Except when their Agents are guilty of gross negligence, this Company is not to be responsible for injuries to goods that may arise from the dangers of the seas or railroad, canal, river or lake transportation, or from Providential or other unavoidable cause, or from fire or from the effects of heat or cold, or from the perishable character or fragility of the goods themselves, such as furniture or castings, or from defective package, such as loss of contents of packages covered with cloth, injuries from breakage of glass or other brittle ware, leakage of liquids, escape of grain or other small articles from bags; decay, rust on iron, deterioration, loss of weight by natural causes, &c., or for changes of the market during the period of transportation.
4. Claims for loss or damage shall be made in writing immediately, and if delayed for more than ten days after delivery of the article, or after due time for the delivery thereof, the Company shall not be liable. In cases of loss or damage to any of the goods herein mentioned, for which this Company would be liable, it is agreed that they shall have the benefit of any insurance that may have been or may be effected on said goods, and shall in no case be answerable over to the insurers.
5. In pursuance of a law of New Jersey, passed March 10th, 1853, authorizing Railroad Companies to limit their responsibilities to \$100 for every 100 pounds of goods, unless additional compensation be paid, it is agreed that this Company are not in any case to be liable for more than a dollar a pound for the loss or damage to the goods carried under this agreement.
6. In the case of goods received for transportation from connecting lines, this Company shall have the benefit of any exemptions from liability stipulated for in the bills of lading given to the shipper or consignor.
7. The goods herein referred to shall be subject to a lien, and may be retained, for the freight and charges on other goods, due from the party on whose account they are transported, as well as for freight and charges on the goods retained.

L. N. Walton B.R.

Agent.

NOT NEGOTIABLE.

Pennia. RTR Thompson 422m 2
Freight Dept.

11 Nov 1893

Receipt for 50 bbl
Sheep for E. Balbach
& Sons Newark

TERMS:

or order, above the following

Rec'd 11 Nov 93

WALTER BREMER, Freight Agent, No. 4 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.
GEO. B. RAYMOND, Freight Agent, No. 30 North Street, New York.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COMPANY

Newark Smelting and Refining Works,

ED. BALBACH & SON,

233 RIVER STREET.

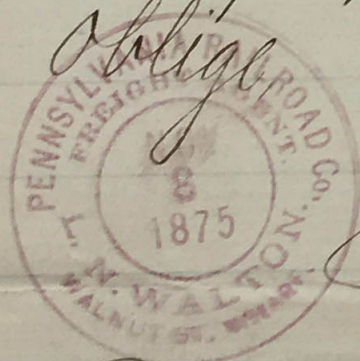
Newark, N. J., Nov 5th 1875

Mr. James Pollock.

Sept. 21. S. Mint.

Phila. Pa.

Please deliver
to the order of the Penn. R.R.C.
the 50 Bcs. Matter & Refiners
sweep purchased by us, and
oblige



Yours respectfully
Ed Balbach & Son

Wm. Carson & Son

I suppose you under-
stand the above

Wm. Miller

E. V. Balbach & Sons
Newark N. J.

5 Nov 1875

Order to deliver
50 bbl Sweets
to Penna R.R.

Ames Co. Inc.

Pur 14 S. Wharves

Pennas office

Received Phila Pa Nov 11. 1875 of Gen
James Pollock. Supt of Mints at Phila.
He within mentioned fifty (50) Barrels
melter & Refiner's sweeps, for transportation
to E. V. Balbach & Sons, Newark N. J.

J. H. Taylor

Recd Nov 75.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Nov 13th, 1875.

Sir:

The charge for converting Standard Silver into Trade Dollars from and after the 15th instant will be one and a quarter per cent on the nominal value.

A copy of the order increasing the charge from one to one and a quarter cents, as approved by the Secretary of the Treasury is enclosed herewith.

Very respectfully,
J. R. Linderman

Director

Hon James Pollock
Fifth Mint Bldg
Philadelphia

W. M.

Nov 13/78

Coinage Charge
on Trade Dollars,
increased to $1\frac{1}{4}$
per Cent of nominal
value, from
~~1/2~~ Nov 15/75

Recd Nov 15/78

All Official Letters to the Treasurer's Office must be addressed to the "Treasurer of the U. S.," and in replying to Letters from the "Treasurer's Office," the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

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Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Nov. 13th, 1875.

Sir:

I have the honor to Enclose herewith Transfer Order No. 3115, dated Oct. 24, 1875 for Gold Silver amount of \$525,048.⁷⁶ received by you at sundry times and heretofore credited in Account Current (Pollion Fund) as a transfer of funds from Carson.

I will thank you to Endorse receipt upon the order, and return the same to this office.

Very respectfully,

John W. Foster
Treasurer U.S.

Hon. J. Pollock,

Asst. Mint U.S.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Am Jno. C. New
Treas U.S.
Washington D.C.
November 13/75

Enclosing
Transf order
No. 3115 Oct 21/75
for \$525,028 26
Dori Silver.

Recd Nov 15/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Nov 16th, 1875.

Sir:

Your requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your Mint for the current month was approved by this Office on the 3^d instant and forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury. Upon inquiry it is learned that a draft for the amount will be sent you by the 20th instant.

Very respectfully
W. H. Woodman

Director

Hon James Pollock
Fifth Mint Bldg
Philadelphia

W. M.

Nov 16/78

Nov draft will
be recd about 20th.
November 1878

Recd Nov 17/78

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Nov. 16th, 1875.

Sir

I have received your letter of the 13th inst., transmitting Statements of Bullion Operations and Gold and Silver workings in the Melted and Refiner's Department, for the month of October 1875.

Very respectfully
H. Linderman
Director

Hon. Jas. Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philad.^a

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Nov. 16/75

Har. & Co. M & Co.
Bullion Operations and
Gold & Silver
Washington
October, 1875

Recd Nov 17/75

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1875 / NOVEMBER

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1875/NOVEMBER (CONT.)

A coin of Connecticut, struck
before the establishment of the
U. S. Mint. 1780.

"Auctori Connec." means
by authority of Connecticut.

"Inde. Et Lib." - Independence
and Liberty.

Trade tokens are valued by
some collectors, in proportion
to their scarcity. - There are
none in the Mint Cabinet.
There is no end to them.

Paris Ky
Nov 16th 1875

Supt U.S. Mint
Phil Pa,

Dear Sir

Permit me once
more to trouble you to name a coin about
which I have had some dispute.
One side has a bust-looking to the right & crowned
with a wreath, words around margin -
"Auctori Coince". Reverse side - full length
Queen, looking to the left, in her left hand
she holds up a rose (at least so it appears),
in her right she holds a rod, or staff,
words "E Pluribus Unum" around margin; date
1780, which I contend is 1780, & that
the figure one is erased. I have pro-
nounced it a Spanish ~~coin~~ Copper coin
of 1780, while others contend it is
a coin of the year 1780, Can you furnish
sets of coins of the different issues by
the US? In my collection of coppers,
I notice two kinds for 1864 - the thick (Indian
head) & thin (Indian head) cent. Is there any

1817-21 1793-94-96, Silver - 1839-4

other years in which two different kinds
of 1¢ pieces were issued, for 1851. I have
a regular copper cent & also a very yellow,
brassy looking one - both large.

Please inform me what year the 2¢
commenced were first issued, 1864

If now discontinued, and when; -

What year the 3¢ nickel first issued 1865

When stopped

When small silver 3¢ first issued, 1851

When stopped,

Speaking of old things I have a powder
horn, used in Cromwell's wars by my
ancestor, brought to Md in 1668 & used
by my grandfather in the Revolution.
He was in Phil when the Dec Ind was
read & joined the Penn Line. In 1786 he

came to Ky. I thought maybe it might
be an interesting relic at the Centennial.
Do the cent-like medals, or advertisements of
firm, possess any value in a collection?

Pardon me for troubling you again,
but I do not know where else to
apply for the information.

Yours Truly W H Beck Rm

Ms. Beck, Danville, 16 Nov 75.

Original of Beck's
letter in
collection
at
Danville

Ms. Beck, 18/75

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J.P.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Nov. 16th, 1875.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 15th instant covering Transfer Order No. 3115, returned for correction of weight.

Enclosed, I return the same corrected.

Very respectfully

W. H. C.

Treasurer U. S.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,

Supt. Mint U. S.

Philadelphia, Pa. }

(One enclosure.)

Wm. M. G. New
Nov 16/75
Treasurer U.S.

Returning enclosed
Trans for Order No. 3115.

Recd Nov 17/75

Custom House -

Milwaukee Wisconsin

1874

Custom House, New Haven, Conn.,

Collector's Office, *17th Nov*, 1875.

Sir

I have this day transmitted
to you by the "Adams Express
Co." one sealed package, containing
light gold coin, nominal value \$114.50
less abrasion 2.09
\$112.41

to be deposited to the
credit of the "Treasury" of the "United
States, on my account, for Duties
on Imports,

Very Respectfully
Your Obedt Servant
C. S. Anderson

D Collector

Wm

W. A. S. Sinclevan

Director of the U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia, Pa

Custom House, Collector's Office,

NEW HAVEN, CONN.,

Nov. 17., 1875.
Lynus Northrop Collector
for E. Pendleton
D., Collector.

Forwarding by
Express for receiver
\$104⁵⁰ light gold
coin.

No. of Enclosures, —

Rec Nov 18/75

No. 1293

MEMORANDUM of GOLD BULLION deposited at the MINT of the UNITED STATES

at Philadelphia, the 26th day of November 1875, by G. C. Thompson

NOTE.—This Memorandum is for the information of the Depositor, and is of no other Value.

DESCRIPTION OF BULLION	WEIGHT				FINENESS 1,000th.	VALUE OF THE GOLD		SILVER PARTED FROM THE GOLD			DEDUCTIONS For Parting, Coinage and Fine Bars		NET VALUE			
	BEFORE MELTING		AFTER MELTING			Dollars	Cts.	FINENESS 1,000th.	Value		Dollars	Cts.	Dollars	Cts.		
	Ounces	Dec.	Ounces	Dec.					Dollars	Cts.						
Mint Silver	16	74	16	74	871	301	42	125		2	40		1	21	302	61

I Certify that the net amount of the above Deposit is Three hundred and Two ⁶¹/₁₀₀ Dollars.
Payable at the Mint, only on presentation of the receipt of a corresponding date and number heretofore issued.

Gold Coin	\$	302.61
Gold Bars	\$	
Silver Coin	\$	
Silver Bars	\$	

JAMES POLLOCK,
Superintendent of the Mint.

By

By
O. B. Jones

The Mint of the United States at Denver.

OFFICE OF THE ASSAYER IN CHARGE.

Denver, Colorado,

Nov. 17th 1875

Sir,

I have this day forwarded to your address, by Express, one unparted gold bar. gross value, \$303.⁸³ being deductions on bullion deposits for 3rd q^r. 1875. and would respectfully request that the same be converted into Coin, and the proceeds deposited in my name to the Credit of the Treasurer of the United States.

Please transmit the original and duplicate receipts to the Director of the Mint, and the triplicate to this office.

Very Respectfully,

Jaob D. L. Schinner
Assayer in Charge.

To Hon.

James Pollock
Supt. U.S. Mint. Phila^{da}

The Mint of the United States,

AT DENVER,

Nov. 17, 1880.

JACOB F. L. SCHIRMER,

Assayer in Charge.

Subject. Forwarded unparted
Gold Bar 303⁸³
for coinage & de-
parture.

No. of Enclosures, —

Recd. Nov. 22/75

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

18th November 1875

Hon. James Pollock

Superintendent

Sir,

I regret to say that our Refinery is nearly idle, with a large capacity.

We have so far disposed of the fine Silver recently received from the Assay Office, that we shall be destitute of any silver to work on, except our own deposits, in one week from this day. I was in hopes we would have been supplied with the standard silver, now lying in the N.Y. assay office.

I have delivered to the Coiner, since the 1st Oct. ^{to 16. Nov.} the following weights of Silver Ingots:

<u>Half Dollars</u>	<u>Quarter Dollars</u>	<u>Dimes</u>
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<u>398,755.40 oz.</u>	<u>400,060.70 oz.</u>	<u>411,772.40 oz.</u>
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beside a small amount for 20¢ pieces.

Respectfully yours

J. C. Booth M.R.

Jas. C. Booth
M^{rs}
Nov. 1875

Refining idle - Will
be out of Silver in one
week - Say if stand -
and Silver from
N.Y. Assay Office
cannot be sent in.

No. of g. delivered,
1 Oct, to 16 Nov.

Recd Nov. 1875

Custom House, Wilmington, N. C.,

Collector's Office, Apr. 18th, 1875.

Sir:

I have this day forwarded to the
Mint, per Express, the sum of
Eighty-seven ⁵⁰ dollars, light gold coin,
for overage, and a deposit with the
Assistant Treasurer U. S. at Philadelphia,
to the credit of the Treasurer U. S.,
on account of duties on Imports

Very respectfully,

Joseph L. Schuchert

per R. W. Chadwick

Sydney

James Pollock Esq.
Capt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Pa.

Custom House, Collector's Office,
WILMINGTON, N. C.,

Nov. 18. , 1875

Joseph C. Albert
Collector.

~~Relating to~~
Forwarding light field
~~Sheep and~~ Corn
for Exprop. for
Accommodate

\$87.50

No. of Enclosures, _____

Recd Nov 20/75

Mint of the United States,

~~CHIEF~~ COINER'S DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, November 18th 1875.

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent.

Sir; I have the honor to report the following absences of the employees of this Department, for the present month, up to date, to wit:-

K. Gibbon, and T. W. Ackley 1 hour each. E. Pellustier 1½ hours.
E. S. Milligan 1¾ hours. Thos. Hackett and E. Pugh each 2 hours.
L. A. George 2½ hours. K. N. Duntou, A. A. Baumatyne, J. E. Davis,
V. McLean and A. E. Noble, each 3 hours. L. C. Kohler, E. E.
McAlister, M. J. Beckman, M. V. Johnson, E. M. Wagner, E. Biddle,
M. Bailie and T. F. Weyser each 4 hours. F. M. Clements 4¾ hours.
M. J. Harbison, and M. W. Chambers each 5 hours. A. L. Bonsall,
J. H. Wilson and F. Scheidt each 6 hours. C. A. Barbyschell 6½ hours.
R. Barclay 7¼ hours, and M. Longbridge 12¼ hours.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant
A. Gordon Howden

Coiner
R

A. L. Snowden &
Coines
Nov. 18/75

Reporting Absences of
29 Employes, during
from Nov 1 to 18/75

Recd Nov 18/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Nov. 19th, 1875.

For

I have Yours of yesterday stating that the Sum of \$200,000. in Subsidiary Coin was ready for transfer.

I have this day requested the Secretary to transfer \$100,000 from your Bullion Fund, and to morrow will request the transfer of the additional \$100,000.

Very respectfully
H. Linderman

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

27th

Novr. 19th 1875

State that \$200000
in Silver Coin will
be transferred from
Bullion Fund.

Recd Nov-20th 1875

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Nov. 19th, 1875.

Sir

Acknowledging Your letter of yesterday, with enclosure from the Melter and Refiner, relative to the supply of silver at Your Mint, I have to inform You that the Secretary has been requested to cause a transfer of \$131,138.63 (being the value of 105,402.67 oz. standard silver) from the bullion fund of the Assay Office New York to that of the Mint at Philadelphia.

Very respectfully
H. Linderman

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

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Nov 19/75

\$131,138.⁶³ in

105,402.⁶⁷ 071 Standard
Silver to be transferred
from the Bullion Fund
N.Y. Assay Office to the
Bullion Fund of the
Mint.

Rec Nov 20/75

Mint of the United States,

COINER'S DEPARTMENT.

Philadelpha, Nov, 19th 1873

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent
Sir

In anticipation of
an absence from the City—
for three (3) or four (4) days
I have the honor to request
that Mayor O. C. Beshyshall
act in my place dur-
ing said absence

I am very truly
Yours
S. J. May
London N. W. 1844

A. L. Snowden
Comins
Nov-19. 1875.

Requesting the
appointment of
A. C. Crosby
as Acting Comins
during his absence

Rec'd 19. Nov. 75.

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J.P.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Nov. 19th, 1875.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that Transfer Order No. 3174 has been issued this day upon you, in favor of the Asst. Treasurer U. S. Philadelphia, for One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.) in gold Coin, being for transfer of the remainder of the New Orleans shipment of \$400,000.

Very respectfully,

J. M. Brown.
Treasurer U. S.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Supt. Mint U. S.
Philadelphia, Pa. }

J. C. New
Treasury U. S.

Novr. 19th 75

States that \$100,000
in Gold Coin will be
transferred from Pub-
lic Fund to A. T.
U. S. Philada.

Recd Novr. 20. 1875

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 20th, 1875.

Sir

I have received your letter of the 19th inst., transmitting Statements of Deposits and Purchases of Gold and Silver Bullion; Gold and Silver of Domestic Production; Bars manufactured during the month of October 1875.

Very respectfully
J. B. Anderson
Director.

Hon. Jas. Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

W. M.

Nov. 20/75

Recd Statement
of Receipts, Purchases
& Bal for Oct/75.

Recd Nov 22/75

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

20th Nov. 1875

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent,

Sir,

Having reflected on the vast production of Gold & Silver in the West, & the preponderating proportion of Silver to Gold, — on our capacity for refining and melting in this and the other Government branches of the Mint, — and having acquired some experience in determining the cost of refining, — I respectfully submit, for the consideration of the Director of the Mint, whether it would not be desirable for us to do all the work of refining in our own country, if it be practicable.

1. Without enlargement of capacity I can refine about \$5,000,000. = of silver, and the same value of gold, or \$10,000,000. = in the year. With slight modifications this may be increased to over \$12,000,000. =

\$12,000,000 = per an. of the two metals. I base this assertion on what I have done within 4 months, and on the usual proportion of gold in the silver of Nevada.

If we can do so much, it appears to me that all mint branches together could refine \$100,000,000 = in the year, embracing the total gold and silver production.

2. I have refined the Nevada silver, with its $\frac{40}{1000}$ of gold, at the rate of $1\frac{1}{2}$ cent pr. ounce of each metal; & if all the gold & silver production were properly distributed, there would be a proportion of more than 2 parts by weight of silver to one part of gold, so that the total gold & silver of the U.S. could be refined at that rate. We have charged 5¢ pr. oz. for refining gold, but with the present production of silver, & by combining the gold with it, we can easily refine both metals for the $1\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ pr. oz.

But with a few modifications in the processes of refining, the operation can be performed at a still lower rate, say 1¢ pr. oz. or possibly less; and

this result can be attained without subsidiary

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Philadelphia,

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processes of chemical manufacture, which impede the magnitude of production, or demand inordinate space for their execution.

I question whether private establishments in this country or in Europe can surpass this result, if they can attain it. Why then should we not endeavor to refine our own products for the rest of the world? I submit this question for the consideration of the Director, who has a fuller knowledge of the capacity of the various branches of the U. S. Mint.

Very respectfully yours
J. C. Booth

Jas. C. Boothe
 M & N
 Nov 20 / 75

Proping that all the
 Gold and Silver pro-
 -duced in this Country
 shall be refined at
 the U. S. Mint.

Recd Nov 20 / 75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

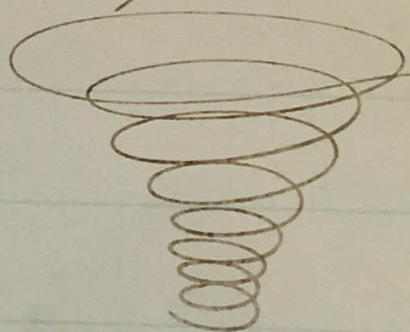
November, 22, 1875.

Sir,

The appointment of Jno. Richardson
as Laborer in the General Department
of your Mint at a compensation of
\$2.⁴⁵ per diem, submitted in your
communication of the 20th inst.
is hereby approved to take effect
from the 1st prox.

Very respectfully,
J. B. Linderman

Director.



Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

W.D.

Nov. 22/75

Appy apt of John
Richardson as Laborer
in Genl Dept at \$2.25
per diem from
Nov. 1. 1875.

Recd Nov. 23/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November, 22, 1875.

Sir,

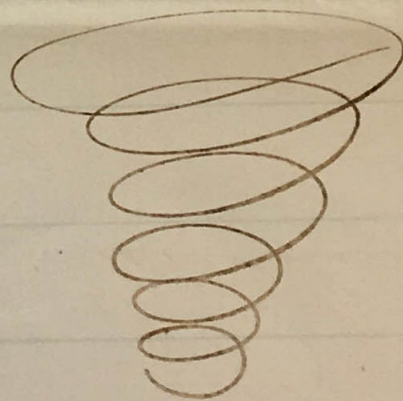
The appointment of Mr. O. C. Robyshell
as Acting Coiner during the temporary
absence of the Coiner of your Mint,
submitted in your communication
of the 20th inst., is hereby approved.

Very respectfully,

H. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock.
Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia.



W. M.

Nov 22/78

App'g apptd of
O. C. Bosbyshell
as Acting Joiner
during the temporary
absence of the Joiner.

Recd Nov. 23/78

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November, 22^d, 1875.

Sir

I send you to-day by Adams Express Co., a package of ore, which you will deliver to the Assayer for examination.

I transmit herewith an explanatory letter, referred to this Office by the President, which you will return together with the Report of the Assayer.

Very respectfully

J. B. Ruland

Director.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philad^a

H. M.

Nov 22/75

Forward by express
box mineral specimens
from Jacob Sargant with
letter through the Post
U.S. requesting Examination
- there.

Recd Nov 23/75

Treasury of the United States,

Washington June 22^d, 1875.

Sir. - There is forwarded to you this day for

recoupment
Light Coin. 1 mutilated Double Eagle \$ 20.

2 gold Eagles 10.000.

5 fine Half Eagles 25.

14 " quarter Eagles 35.

\$10,080.

Charged to you as a transfer of funds
under Secretary's order of Dec. 16. 1873 -
being Coin then on hand, and that
should have been sent you with
previous remittance for recoupment.

Very Respectfully
A. A. Roman

Hon Dr Pollock
Superintendent Mt Minn
Philadelphia Pa

Asst Treas U.S.
(Myman)
Washington D.C.
June 22/75

Forwards \$10,080.
in light gold coin

Recd June 23/75

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, 23 Nov. 1875

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent

Dear Sir,

It is with sincere regret that I have to inform you of the decease of James Heslet, a skilful Gold melter, and one of the best hands in my department, for skill, industry, and close and watchful care of the interests of the Government. By authority of the Director, the men were allowed, each, a two-weeks holiday during August, but as the Public business appeared very pressing to me, James Heslet volunteered to forego his term of two weeks recruiting, and has not ceased to work most faithfully ever since, even against my suggestion that he needed some respite. He was not sufficiently strengthened to bear up against the attack of pneumonia, partly caused, and certainly exasperated by steady exposure to the fire.

Would it be wrong to the Public Service to allow his Widow (or legal authority) to present a bill for services for twelve days, the time of his holiday, which he gave to the Public Service with such deplorable consequences, and which was virtually so much extra work.

If you do not feel authorised to decide this point, may I ask you to submit the question to the Director for his decision, or that of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Very respectfully yours
J H Booth
M & R.

Jas. C. Booth ^{MA}
Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Nov. 30. 1845

No. of Papers.

Subject,

Death of James
Heslot, Melton,
from overwork &
typhoid fever.

Can his widow
receive pay for his
services, which he
devoted to work.

Recd Nov 30/45

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 23^d, 1875.

Sir

I have received your letter of the 22nd inst. transmitting a Proposition of Prof. Booth, to refine all the Gold and Silver produced in the country, at the Mints of the United States.

Very respectfully

W. B. Davis
Acting Director.

Hon. Jas. Pollock

Supt. Mint U.S.

Philadelphia.

a D. M.

Nov. 23/75

Has recd Prop.
Booth's suggestion
to do all the sea
- fishing in this
country?

Recd Nov 24/75

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

24th Nov. 1875

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent
Sir,

Having tried various methods of purifying the gold now largely extracted from the Unparted Bullion of Nevada, &c. I find none so efficacious as finally heating it with oil of vitriol. It is more efficacious, more rapid, and more economical, and at the same time requires so little acid, that the fumes necessarily escaping are too small in quantity to be objectionable. We have a location for the apparatus in the Refinery; and in view of the amount of Unparted Bullion, which we shall receive, I recommend that the arrangement be made under the Superintendence of Dr R. E. Rogers, who has used the same successfully.

Respectfully yours
L. C. Booth m & R

Jas. C. Booth, M.A.
Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Nov. 24. 1875

No. of Papers,

Subject, *Recommend*
that arrangements be
made ^{in our Refinery} under the
supervision of Dr. R.
L. Rogers, to purify
gold from Nevada, by
heating it with oil of
vitriol

Recd. Nov. 24/75

Mint of the United States,

SEAL COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

Philadelphia, Nov. 26th 1875.

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent.

Sir;

I deem it my duty to direct your attention to an excessive loss of silver occurring in the working of $72.411\frac{40}{100}$ ounces of Dollar Ingots for manufacture into Dimes, delivered on the 11th inst.

In weighing after the operation of Rolling, a loss of $30\frac{60}{100}$ ounces was discovered.

It is usual for silver to gain from Rolling. Estimating the gain this working should have shown, say 20 ounces, it leaves a loss of $50\frac{60}{100}$ ounces from Rolling - just about the weight of a Dollar Ingot.

I desire to say that this loss could only have occurred in three ways -

First. Peculation - which is not likely.

Second. From error in putting down the weight of the several drafts of ingots, by the three gentlemen representing respectively the Superintendent, the Meter and Refiner, and the Coiner, or

Third, - In the hurry of weighing the ingots, one ingot may have been left on the scale unobserved, and have been thus twice weighed.

If the Melters and Refiners' Accounts are kept closely, it would be possible to ascertain the fact whether the loss occurred from the latter causes named.

I need hardly say to you that I have given the whole subject the most thorough investigation, and may state as a result thereof, that I have no cause to suspect any one in the Department of dishonesty. The occurrence has occasioned me much regret and anxiety, but I have no reason for self reproach, as the checks of the Department are about as thorough as can be.

I have the honor to remain

Very Respectfully,

Your Obedt. Servant

London Morning

Comer.

A. L. Snowden, Esq
Coiner
Nov 26/75

Reports loss of 30⁶⁰
oz in 72,411 ⁴⁰ ozs.
Dollar ingot, for dinner,
delivered Nov. 11/75.

Missing Dollar Ingot
discovered subsequently—
probably left in Annealing
Furnace. See Coiner's letter
of Dec. 17?

Recd Nov 26/75

United States Assay Office,

New York, Nov^r 8th 1875

Sir:

Wherewith transmit Express Receipt
and Invoice N^o 25 of nine (9) boxes deposit Gold
net value Four hundred and ninety one thousand
four hundred and thirteen ⁰⁴/₁₀₀ (491.413.04) dollars,
payable in Double Eagles.

Very respectfully
for Superintendent

Hon James Pollock
Supt. Mints of the U.S.
Philadelphia, Pa.

W. H. Wood
Chief Clerk

Noted

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A-3120-V-1-18/5

New York

Nov 8. 18/5

Assay Office U.S.

Trans Exp Receipt & Inv
no 25 of 9 boxes dep. loca
net val \$491.413.074

Rec'd Nov 9. 18/5

ORIGINAL.

No. 25

United States Assay Office at New York,

New York, Nov 8 1875

Received from the U. S. ASSAY OFFICE at New York, for transportation and delivery to the U. S. Mint, at Philadelphia, Nine boxes Gold bullion, of the net value of Four hundred & ninety one thousand, four hundred & thirteen $\frac{04}{100}$ Dollars, returnable in Double Eagles

\$ 491,413 $\frac{04}{100}$

W. D. Barnum

For the Adams Express Company.

United States Assay Office,

New York, Nov 9th 1875

Sir,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
Thirty three thousand, six hundred and thirty nine
(33,639) Trade dollar pieces, and 11[¢] in Silver Coin,
in full for Invoice N^o 23.

Very respectfully

Hon James Pollock
Supt. Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Thos H. Ghetton
Supt.

✓

A-3121-V-1-18/5.

New York

Nov 9, 18/5

Assay Office U.S.

Ack-Recpt 33.639 T.D.
pieces, & 11¢ Silver Coin,
in full for Invoice
No 23.

Recd Nov 10th 18/5.

Office of the

*O*₃ⁿ **Orange County Milk Association,**

No. 27 Vestry Street, near Hudson,

NEW YORK,

Nov 16th

1878

Director U.S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir! —

On the
27th ult we sent you for redemption
by the Adams Exp Co \$132⁰⁰ in
Copper & nickel Coin — Have
heard nothing from them

Yours Respectfully
Orange Co Milk Assn
Thos King, Secy

C-3122-0-1-18/5

New York

Nov 16. 18/5.

Oranged (Nick) Cass

Makes inquiry for \$132.00
Sent to him for Redemption
24 net.

Rec'd Nov 17. 18/5.

mc
13/23

17 Baronne St
N. Orls La Nov^r 16th - 1875

Superintendent
U. S. Mint
Philadelphia, Pa
Sir

On the 16th of
October last I forwarded per Express \$12 - in
Minor Coin, and on the 25th of the same month \$8 -
more, making in all Twenty dollars for redemption -

No returns having yet reached me, I have
the honor to request a transfer check for the
Amount, drawn on the Assistant Treasurer
at New Orleans -

Very respectfully

Your most obed^t - Servant
P. M. S. Bride

Mc-3123-U-1-18/5

New Orleans La

Nov 16. 18/5.

P. M. Bride

For Returns for \$12.00
\$78.00 Union Bond for
to Hunt for Redemption
Oct. 16. & 25. 18/5.

Recd Nov 20. 18/5

United States Assay Office,

New York,

Nov. 27 1875

24.
3124.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of Three hundred & thirty three thousand, Eight hundred & eighty four $\frac{82}{100}$ (333.884.82) dollars in Double Eagles in full for Invoice # 24, and Sixty six thousand, one hundred & fifteen $\frac{18}{100}$ (66.115.18) dollars on ac of Invoice # 25

Very respectfully
for Superintendent

Con James Pollock
Supt. Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia, Pa.

J. M. Lloyd
Chief Clerk

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✓

Concept

A-3124-V-1-18/5

New York

Nov 27, 18/5.

Assay Office U.S.

Ack. Rept. \$333,884.82
"DE" in full for Duo
No 24 & \$66,115.18 on
ac. Duo No 25.

Recd Nov 29, 18/5.

The Mint of the United States at San Francisco.

Assayer
Office of ~~Superintendent~~

San Francisco, Cal., Nov 27 1876.

Deposit No.	Deposit No.	Deposit No.
471	500	679
473	502	680
475	504	615
479	505	649
480	506	
481 ✓	507	
482	508	
483	509	
484	510	
489	511	
491	573	
493	574	
494	575	
496	576	
497	514	
498	578	

Granulations of all the above
Nos. received with the ex-
ception of No. 481

Jacob B. Eckfeldt

Art. Assayer

Mint of the United States

AT

San Francisco *187*

O. H. LAGRANGE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

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The Mint of the United States at San Francisco.

Office of Superintendent,

San Francisco, Cal. Nov 29 1875.

Hon James Pollock,
Supt Mint & Mts.
Philadelphia Pa.

Sir:

Certain questions having arisen between this institution and the consolidated Virginia Mining Company as to the fineness of deposits of Dore bullion, I have deemed it advisable under the circumstances to refer the matter in dispute to you as a means for arriving at a settlement.

I will thank you to cause assays to be made

Mint of the United States

AT

San Francisco *187*

O. H. LAGRANGE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

Contents

No. of Inclosures

of the samples sent you
this day by mail, and
to inform me of the
results of the same at
your early convenience.
I have advised the
Director of the Mint of my
action in forwarding the
samples to you, and re-
quested him to authorize
you to have the assays
made.

Very respectfully,
O. H. Lapierre
Supt.

O. H. Laprange Esq.
San Francisco
Nov. 29. 1875

Forwarding for
assay certain gran-
ulation, Dore Silver
to settle dispute with
Chas. V. Elling Co.

1 Inclosure

Recd Dec 7. 1875

All Official Letters to the Department proper must be addressed to the "Secretary of the Treasury," and in replying to Letters from the Department the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

P. H. U. *Re: Philadelphia* Treasury Department,

Washington, D. C., November 29, 1875.

Sir:

Will R. Hervey, Special Agent of this Department having been directed to make an examination of the office of the U. S. Assistant Treasurer in your city, I will thank you to furnish him with two laborers from your office to assist him in handling and weighing the coin.

The laborers should in every way be unobjectionable to Mr. Eyster, the Assistant Treasurer.

Very respectfully
By order *W. P. C. Grant*
Asst Secretary

James Pollock Esq
Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Penn.

Chas F. Lonant
Act Sec. Treasury
29 Nov 1875

Requesting detail of 2
laborers to assist W.R.
Hervey, Special agt. Ins. Dept.,
in examining vaults of
A.T. at Philada.

R Broomall } detailed in
R Johnson } accordance
with above.

Rec'd 1 Dec. 1875

Custom House, Wilmington, N. C.,

Collector's Office.

Nov. 29, 1875

Sir:

I have this day recd with your letter of the 26th inst. C/P & in duplicate, \$88, received by the West Insurance N. S. at Philadelphia under date of Nov. 24th 1875, in my favor, for Eighty seven⁰⁰ (\$87⁰⁰) dollars in Coin, being the proceeds of the redemption of \$87⁵⁰, light gold coin, sent to the Mint for that purpose, from this Office, on the 18th instant.

Very respectfully,

Joseph C. Stock, Cash
per R. W. Chaswell, Clerk

James Pollock Esq
Supt of the N. S. Mint,
Philadelphia
Pa.

Custom House, Collector's Office,

WILMINGTON, N. C.,

Jan. 29, 1875.

Joseph C. Abbott
Collector.

~~Acknowledging~~
~~Relating to~~ C/D
with the Asst W.
N & at Philadelphia
\$87⁰¹ Light gold
received.

No. of Enclosures, —

Rec'd Dec 1/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Nov 29th, 1875.

Sir;

In reply to your letter of the 26th instant relative to the transfer of 105.402 67 of Standard Silver bullion from the U.S. Assay Office at New York to your Mint at its Coining value \$131.138⁶³ instead of at cost, you are informed that the necessary steps have been taken to correct the error.

The seigniorage or gain must appear in the accounts of the Mint and not in those of the Assay Office.

Very respectfully

A. B. Anderson

Hon James Pollock
Supt U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

Director

N.W.

29 Nov. 1870.

Error in transfer from
A.C. Mfg 104,402 $\frac{67}{100}$ Silver
at issuing value instead of
at cost, to be corrected.

Gain to appear in Mint
ap, not at A.C.

Recd 3 Dec 70

United States Assay Office,
New York, Nov. 30th 1875

2
3125.

Sir:

I have to acknowledge the receipt of
Four hundred and twenty six thousand, two hundred
and ninety three $\frac{68}{100}$ (426.293.68) dollars in
Double Eagles, balance of Invoice N^o. 25.

Very respectfully
for Superintendent

Hon James Pollock
Supt. Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia, Penn.

J. M. Floyd
Chief Clerk

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C-3125-V-1-18/5

New York

Nov 30. 18/5.

Assay Office MS

Ack Recpt \$426.293.68
in D.C. bal Inv No 25.

Recd Dec 1. 18/5.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 30, 1875.

Sir,

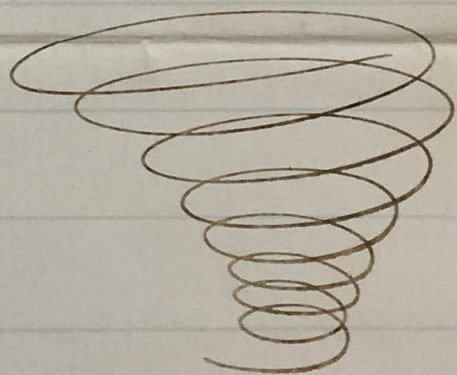
I return herewith for your approval
bill of Adams Express Co. for trans-
portation of Minor Coins, belonging
to your Bullion Accounts for the 3rd
Quarter, 1875.

Very respectfully,

H. R. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock.
Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.



L. M.

Nov 30/75

Ret^y bill of Adams
Gibson Co. of a/c -
- Naval C^y - Quarters
1875

Rec^d Dec 1/75

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Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

November 30, 1875.

Sir,

Referring to your Bullion Accounts for the Second Quarter, 1875, I have to request that you will furnish Warrants authorizing "Silver Profit ^{and} Loss %" to be debited with the Silver Wastage during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1875; also, Warrants authorizing "Profit ^{and} Loss Account" to be debited with the Gold Wastage for the same period.

The Warrants should show the number of standard ounces of each operated on by the Melter ^{and} Refiner and Coiner during the year.

Hon. James Pollock.
Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

Very respectfully,
H. R. Linderman
Director.

D. M.

30 Nov 1875.

Requesting Warrants
for Gold & Silver Wastage
fiscal year 1874-75.

Recd 1 Dec 75.

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

30th Nov. 1875

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent

Sir

We are out of the Copper in
the Cent Coinage Department,
and are obliged to borrow
temporarily from the Bullion
Department.

Respectfully Yours
J. H. Booth

M. R.

Jas. C. Booth
M¹²
Nov 30/75

Out of Copper
for Cent Coinage.

Recd Nov 30/75

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1875/NOVEMBER (CONT.)

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1875 / DECEMBER

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec. 1st, 1875.

Sir

I have yours of yesterday, enclosing proposals from seven different parties, for cleaning the North front and flanks of the Mint building.

Messrs Atkinson and Myhlertz being the lowest bidders, and experienced and responsible parties, You are authorized to award the Contract to them at the price mentioned in their proposal, \$950.

The enclosures are herewith returned.

Very respectfully
H. B. Linderman

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

Director

D. M.

December 1. 1875

Authorizing
the awarding of
Contract for
cleaning north
front and flanks
of Mink building
to Atkinson and
Myhlertz. for \$950.

Copy of Supt's letter, and
Proposals, filed herewith.

Rec'd Dec 2. 1875.

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, 30 Nov. 1875.

List of Proposals for Cleaning the North Front and Flanks of the Mint of the U. S. at Philadelphia.

No.	O.	Atkinson & Myhlertz	\$ 950.00
1,	B	Edward Showers	1,200.00
2,	B	Struthers & Sons	1,500.00
1,	A	Edward Showers	1,600.00
3,		H. S. Tarr & Son	1,600.00
2,	A	Struthers & Sons	2,400.00
4,		Douglas Bros	2,500.00
5,	B	Dickinson & Co.	3,000.00
5,	A	Dickinson & Co.	4,000.00
6,		Müller & Killen	5,000.00

Mint of the United States,
PHILADELPHIA.

30 Nov. 1870

JAMES POLLOCK,

Superintendent.

Subject *List of Proposals
for Cleaning the North
Front and Flanks
of the Mint U.S.
at Philadelphia.*

No. of Enclosures, *7*

Atkinson & Myhlertz
SUCCESSORS TO WM. GRAY

Marble, Brown, Ohio and Sand Stone Yard

22d STREET, Below MARKET STREET

*Marble and Stone Fronts, Housework,
Cut Stone Work for Buildings,
Tiling, Cemetery Work, &c., &c.*

Philadelphia, Nov 20th 1875

James Pollock, Esq

Supt of the Mint of the United States

Dear Sir!

*We propose to clean down and point up the
North Front of the Mint on Penn Square
including the Six large Columns and the two
Sides or flanks for the sum of (\$950)
Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars.*

*We to furnish all the scaffoldings and to
sand rub the Marble and not to use any
acid and make a good job.*

*We shall be very much pleased to receive
your orders & remain*

Dear Sir

*Yours very respectfully
Atkinson & Myhlertz*

No. "O."

Atkinson & Myhlertz
22^d St. bet. Market, Phila.

20 Nov. 1875.

Proposals for
Cleaning N. front
and flanks of Mint.
U.S. at Philadelphia

\$ 950⁰⁰

Phila. Nov. 29th 1845

To Ex. Governor Pollock, director of the
U. S. Mint, Phila. Pa.

Sir

I propose to clean all the marble from
Eaves to pavement, including North end, back
front East-side and West-sides of the U. S. Mint
on Chestnut St. below Broad. To use no acids
of any kind and will rub it with Sand Stone and
water, rub all tool marks out, and point up
such places as requires it. To do all work from
the outside without entering the building, and
furnish all the materials complete to do the
work, and guarantee a first-class job; for the
Sum of Sixteen Hundred (\$1600), and can
give bonds for the faithful fulfillment
of our Contract.

Yours Respt
Edward Shivers

W. B.

Will clean it without taking out all the
tool marks, and not using any acid, and
make a good job of it for the Sum of
Twelve Hundred Dollars (\$1200)

Edward Shivers
1818 Market St.

No. 1. A & B.

Edward Showers

1818 Market St. Phila.

29 Nov. 1875.

Proposals for
cleaning N. front
and flanks of Mint
U.S. at Philadelphia

A. \$1,600⁰⁰

B. \$1,200⁰⁰

Struthers & Sons,

1022 Market Street,

PHILADELPHIA.

For James Pollak
Director U. S. Mint
Dear Sir

We propose
to do all the cleaning necessary
on the East - West flank and
the North front of the U. S. Mint
furnishing scaffolding etc
for the sum of \$2,400
(Twenty four hundred dollars)

The work can be done for a
less figure say Fifteen hun-
dred dollars \$1,500. but to be
done properly repairing & clean-
ing in the most unobtrusive
manner it is with the sum
just named.

Very truly Yours
Struthers & Sons

No. 2, A & B.

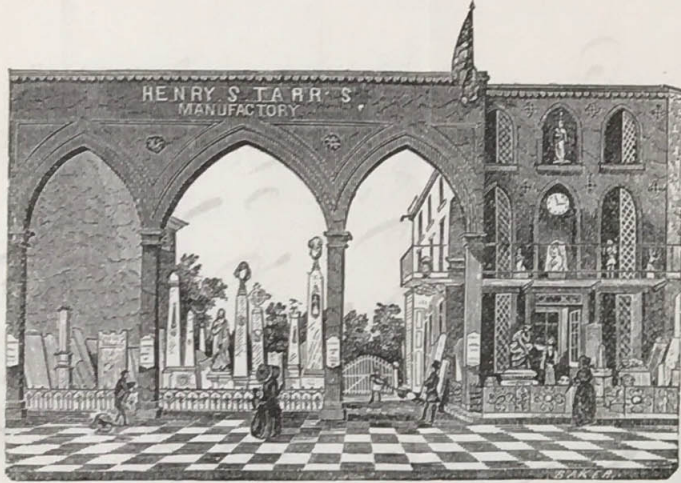
Struthers & Sons,
1022 Market St., Phila.

Nov. 1875.

Proposals for
Cleaning N. front
and flanks of Mint
U.S. at Philadelphia.

A. \$2,400⁰⁰/₁₀₀

B. \$1,500⁰⁰/₁₀₀



CARVED AND ORNAMENTAL

MARBLE WORKS,

No. 710 Green Street,

ABOVE SEVENTH.

Philadelphia, *Nov 26th* 1875 ~

Mr Ex Gov Pollock
Dear Sir

Your letter of the 17th Rec^d. and in answer I enclose the following Estimate

I propose to do the cleaning of marble work at Eld. Mint Chestnut St bet Broad as proposed by you &c. The east and west flank from pavement to roof, the north front from pavement to peak of roof, including columns, caps & Bases all complete, for the sum of sixteen hundred dollars (\$1600.⁰⁰/₁₀₀) The above estimate includes scaffolding & all necessary material, all respectfully submitted

Remain Yours.

Henry S. Tarr

No. 3.

Henry S. Farr & Son
710 Green St., Phila.

26 Nov. 1875.

Proposals for
Cleaning St. front
and flanks of Mint.
No. 1 at Philadelphia

\$1,600 ⁰⁰/₁₀₀

CURVED AND ORNAMENTAL

ARTS WORKS

710 Green Street,

Philadelphia.

Philad^a Nov. 29th 1873-

Sr Sir

We propose to Sand Rich, & point ^{at open} joints
of 2 Planks & Northern Front of U. S. Mint
Building for the sum of Twenty Five Hundred
Dollars -

\$2500.

Respectfully
Langlan Bros

2213 & 2215 Chestnut St²

No. 4.

Douglas Bros.

2213-5 Chestnut St. Phila.

29 Nov. 1875.

Proposals for
cleaning N. front
and Planks of Mint
U.S. at Philadelphia.

\$2,500⁰⁰/₁₀₀

Philada Nov 29th 1875
To the
Hon James. Pollock, director of
the United States Mint at Philadelphia Pa

Sir. We propose to clean all the
marble from eaves to pavement including
north end, back, east end, & west sides of
the United States Mint on Chestnut Street
below Broad Street. To use no acids of any
kind and will rub it with sand stone and
water rub all tool marks out and point up
such places as requires it to do all work from
the out-side without entering the Building
and furnish all materials complete to do
the work and guarantee a first class
job

For the Sum of Four Thousand (\$4000)
dollars and give Bonds for the faithful
fulfillment of our Contract

Yours Respectfully

Lickinson & Co
Residence 343 So 4th St.
Phila

N.B. We will clean it without taking out
all the tool marks and not using any
acid and make a good job for the sum
of Three Thousand (\$3000) dollars

Lickinson & Co
343 So 4th

Philada Nov 29th 1875

To the
Hon James. Pollock, director of
the United States Mint at Philadelphia Pa

Sir. We propose to clean all the
marble from eaves to pavement including
north end, back, east end, & west sides of
the United States Mint on Chestnut Street
below Broad Street. To use no acids of any
kind and will rub it with sand stone and
water rub all tool marks out and point up
such places as requires it to do all work from
the out-side without entering the Building
and furnish all materials complete to do
the work and guarantee a first class
job

For the Sum of Four Thousand (\$4000)
dollars and give Bonds for the faithful
fulfillment of our Contract

Yours Respectfully

Lickinson & Co

Residence 343 So 4th St.

Philada

N.B. We will clean it without taking out
all the tool marks and not using any
acid and make a good job for the sum
of three thousand (\$3000) dollars

Lickinson & Co

343 So 4th

No. 3, A & B.

Dickinson & Co.

740-2 Lombard St. Phila.

29 Nov. 1875.

Proposals for
cleaning N. front
and flanks of Mint
U.S. at Philadelphia.

A. \$4,000⁰⁰

B. \$3,000⁰⁰

Dickinson & Co
Marble Runners

740-742 Lombard
St

The United States.

Philadelphia, _____ 18th _____

James Tollock & Co

Dear Sir

Yours of the 18th received and in reply would say that we will do the cleaning of the north front and flanks of the W. S. Hotel for the sum of five thousand dollars (\$5000).

Yours
Müller & Killen

11/24.1875

We regret that we could not send Estlin down but have been absent from the City.

M & K.

No. 6.

Müller & Killen,

22^d St. bet. Market, Phila.

24 Nov. 1875.

Proposals for
cleaning N. front
and flanks of Mint
U.S. at Philadelphia

\$5,000⁰⁰/₁₀₀

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 1, 1875.

See letter from Director
Nov 29th in connection
with Suppl. letter Nov 26th
has plain this -
See also Suppl.
letter Dec. 2nd 24th
and Director's reply
dated 3rd and

Sir: I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of four teen thousand one hundred and fifty two $2\frac{1}{100}$ dollars (\$14,152.21) to be transferred from the bullion fund of your Mint to that of the U.S. Assay Office at New York. This amount being the difference between the cost at 1.1099 per of St^a and the coming rate at 1.24x of 105,402.67 of Standard Silver bullion trans ferred from the Assay Office, to the Philadel phia Mint on the 24th ultimo.

Very respectfully
H. R. Linderman

Director

Hon Jas Pollock
Supt U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

J. M.

December 1. 1875.

The Secy of
the Treasury has
been requested to
cause the transfer
of \$14,152.21. from
the bullion fund of
this Mint, to that
of the New York
Assay office, &
to correct error in
transfer from N.Y. at coining
value instead of cost.

Recd. Dec. 2, 1875.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 1st, 1875.

Sir:

In compliance with the request
contained in your letter of the 30th ultimo
you are hereby authorized to advertise
for proposals to furnish ten thousand
(10,000) pounds. Copper for the Minor
Coinage.

Very respectfully
H. B. Sutherland

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Fifth Mint Bldg
Philadelphia

D. M.

December 1. 1875

Authorizing the
Sup^t to advertise
for 10000 pounds
copper

Recd Dec 2, 1875

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 1, 1875.

Sir,

Your Requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your Mint during the current month has been approved for the sum of \$32,400. - from the following appropriations, viz:

Salaries	1875	3,400. -
Wages of Workmen	"	21,000. -
Contingent Expenses	"	8,000. -

Very respectfully,

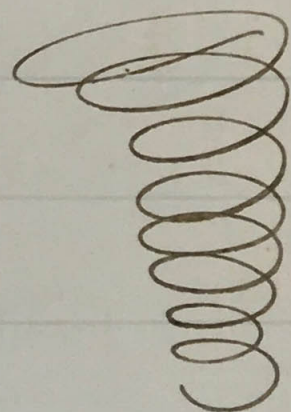
W. R. Anderson

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,

Supt. U.S. Mint.

Philadelphia.



D. M.

December 1. 1875.

Requisition
for funds for
present month
has been rec'd
and approved.

Rec'd Dec 2 1875.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December, 2, 1875.

Sir,

I have received your communications of yesterday forwarding Warrants for Wastage in Gold ^{and} Silver Workings during the fiscal year ended June 30. 1875, and returning approved bill of Adams Express Co. for transportation of Minor Coins.

I have this day referred to the Accounting Officers of the Department for examination and settlement your Bullion Accounts for the Second Quarter, 1875.

Very respectfully.

H. Bolanderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. Philadelphia Mint.

V. W.

2 Dec. 1875

Ackn. Warrants Gold &
Silver Wastage Fiscal year
ending 30 June 1875;

also ackn.

approved bill Adams & Co.
Minn Coinage transp'n.

Also

notifying that Bullion Ac
2d qu. 1875 has been
referred to Accounting Officers.

Recd 3 Dec B.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Washington, D. C., Dec 2. 1875.

Hon James Follick,

Supt. Mint. Philad. Pa

Sir,

Your recommendation,
in relation to modification of the order
of May last suspending 3 & 5 ct Minor
Coinage and pecuniage of Certain
Minor Coins is under consideration
by the Secretary. - Will you please inform
me without delay as to the amount
of unfilled orders for the several
denominations Minor Coins and the
sums on hand available for such
orders, also, the present rate of
demand based on the orders received
during the month of Nov. also
Yours faithfully,
H. Lindenberg
Director

J. M.
2 Dec. 1875.

Recommendation to
rescind order suspending
3¢ and 5¢
Minor Coinage, under con-
sideration by Sec. Treas.

Requesting information
of demand for such
coins.

Rec'd 3 Dec 75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 2^d, 1875.

Sir

I have requested the Superintendent of the Assay Office at New York, to transmit to your Mint the reserved granulations from the Second Purchase Dore Silver, Refined at New York, August, 1875.

I have to request that you will deliver the granulations to the Assayer of your Mint, to be assayed for gold contained, and have instructed Mr. J. Eckfeldt to proceed to Philadelphia to assist the Assayer in arriving at a satisfactory basis, for adjustment by this Office.

Very respectfully
J. K. Kuhn
Director.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Supt. Mint, U.S.
Philadelphia.

D. W.

22 Dec 1873.

Supt A.C. N.Y. to forward
reserved granulations 2^d

Purchase Dore Silver

refined in Aug. to be
assayed for gold.

J. Cockfeldt of Mint

Bureau to assist the
Assayer.

Recd 3 Dec 73

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec 3^d, 1875.

See Director's
letter of Dec. 1st
which this m^o
explains -

Sir:

In reply to your letter of the 2^d instant, you are informed that there will be no actual transfer of coin from the Bullion Fund of your Mint to that of the Assay Office New York. The transfer of \$14,152.21 is simply a matter of account to correct a clerical error on the part of the Assay Office, which cannot be otherwise corrected as the transfer draft for \$131,138.63, has been returned to the Treasurer of the U.S. as paid, and all the corresponding debit and credit entries made. The transfer draft for \$14,152.21 will be sent to the Superintendent of the Assay Office to be endorsed by him as received, and when so endorsed will be transmitted, by him to you,

When received you will debit your bullion fund with the amount as a transfer to the Assay Office, and credit your Silver Profit & Loss account with \$14,152.21, being the difference between the cost (\$116,986.42) and the coining value (\$131,138.63) of 105,402.67 standard of silver bullion, erroneously transferred from the Assay Office at its coining value.

Very respectfully

H. R. Lander

Director

Hon James Pollock
Capt Genl of
Philadelphia

D. M.

Dec 3 / 75

In reference to
the nominal transfer
of \$14,152 ²¹/₁₀₀ to the
Bullion Fund of the
N. Y. Assay Office to
correct an error in their
accounts.

Rec'd Dec 4 / 75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

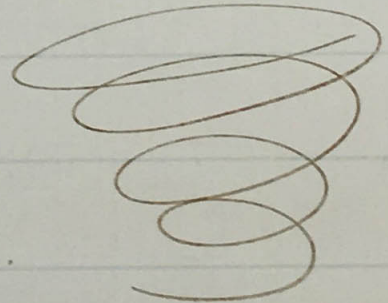
December 2, 1875.

Sir, I have received the Official Oath
of Jno. Richardson, Laborer, in the General
Department of your Mint.

Very respectfully,
H. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



L.M.

2 Dec 1878

Actn. oath of John
Richardson, Gen. Sept.

Recd 3 Dec 78

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF COMPTROLLER OF THE CURRENCY,

Washington, December 3, 1875.

Sir:

I have the pleasure of sending you herewith an advance copy of my Report. A complete copy, containing the appendix, will be sent you hereafter. Please acknowledge receipt.

Very respectfully -

Andrew S. Green

Comptroller.

Hon Jas. Pollock

Ab. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Penn

Hon John Jay Knox
Comptroller of the Currency
Washington D.C.
Dec 3. 1878

Forwarded advance
copy of his Annual
Report

Recd Dec 6/78

Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

Boston, Mass., December 3^d, 1875.

Sir,

If consistent with the public interest, please inform me what solution is used at the Mint for cleansing five cent nickel coins when stained or soiled, and also what solution is used for cleansing the one cent pieces.

The purpose of my inquiry is to see if it will be practicable to clean in this Office the numerous soiled minor coins which I am obliged daily to receive.

Very Respectfully
F. Haven
Asst Treas. U.S.

Hon. James Pollock
Sup. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia, Pa.

Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer,
BOSTON, MASS.,

Dec: 3., 1875.

Ch. T. Fenner
U. S. Assistant Treasurer.

Wants to know
what acids to use
to clean copper
-nickel coins.

No. of Enclosures,

As per 6/28

6. Dec. 1875 / We dip momentarily in aqua fortis and then finish by a dip in Pure nitric acid; the moment it is finished the pieces are thrown into water containing a mere trace of sulphuric acid. They can be kept almost any length of time in this acidulated water without tarnishing. They are then wiped dry, & revolved in a wheel in masses to give them a little polish. / J. C. Booth
modum purificandi inventor

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

4 Dec.

1875

Hon James Talbot

Superintendent

Sir

The invoice of Silver from the N.Y. Assay Office, received last week, is nearly worked off in Ingots for the Coiner, and we shall be short of work in a few days. The whole amount was but a little more than 100,000 oz., only $3\frac{1}{2}$ days' work, when working up to our capacity. We are ready to receive more of the \$600,000. said by Mr. Mason to be in the N.Y. Assay Office.

Respectfully Yours
L.H. Booth

M.R.

Jas. C. Booth
 MHR
 Dec. 4. 1878.

Last invoice of Silver
 from N. Y. Assg Office
 worked up - Wants more
 of the \$600,000. Said to
 be over there.

Recd Dec 4/78

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 4th, 1875.

Sir;

In reply to your letter of inquiry under date of the 3^d instant, relative to the articles embraced in the term "Stationery". I have to say that all those usually furnished by Messrs Murphys Bros. of your city, - vouchers of which are forwarded in your regular ordinary accounts, will be furnished by the Department, thereby insuring a very considerable saving to the Government. All Blank and Record Books will be printed at the Government Printing Office, - an extra supply of which will be kept on hand for the purpose of meeting promptly any exigency that might arise.

Yours

Hon James Pollock,
Superintendent of
Philadelphia Pa.

You will therefore please forward your requisition
as heretofore directed, forwarding sample leaves
of such Blank and Record Books, ^{as may be} required by your
institution, stating the number of pages re-
desired for such books, and also whether you
wish the ruling of the same on one, or both
sides. The enclosures in your letter are herewith returned.

I am Sir very respectfully
J. H. Linderman

Director.

D. M.

Dec 4/75

The Receipt will fur-
nish all articles of
Stationery, books, blanks
to have furnished by
Murphy's Son.

Rec'd Dec 6/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec 4, 1875.

Hon James Pollock,
Supt. United Mint
Sir,

How soon

may the expected samples
from re-produced dies
U. S. Centennial Medal.
(July 4. 1876)

Very Respectfully
J. Linderman
Director

L. M.

Dec 4/75

When with the design
for U.S. Diplomatic
Medal 1876, be ready.

Letter of Engraver filed
herein Dec 6th

Rec'd Dec 6/75

J.F.
(Cashier—Form G.)

J.F.
Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Dec. 4, 1875.

Sir:

I credit your account this day with Coin Ten thousand
four hundred & seventeen⁴⁴₁₀₀dollars, (\$10,417.⁴⁴ Coin)
as a transfer of funds for Draft 8145 A. Tr. W. #2559 of like amount
received.

Very respectfully,

M. May

Act. Treasurer U. S.

Hon. Jas. P. Pollock,

Treasurer U. S. Mint

Philadelphia

Chas. Wyman,
Asst Treas, Washington

4 Dec 1875

Notifying of credit
\$10,417⁴⁴ coin
on Warrant #2559.

Explained Dec. 7, as being
to make good losses on
recoining of gold 1875

Rec'd 6 Dec 75

United States Assay Office

New York, Dec^r 6th 1875

Value at \$1.1099 (instead of coinage rate) of
 Standard Silver transmitted to the Mint
 Nov^r 24, 1875. covered by Transfer Order #3179
 dated Nov^r 22, 1875.

Net Gross Weight	oz.	104,371.64
" Stand ^d "	"	105,402.67
Value at 1.1099 per St ^d oz	\$	116,986.42

Mint Copy

U. S. Assay Office at

Invoice of Standard Silver transmitted to the Mint of the
at Philadelphia on Transfer Order, pursuant to instructions from
Director of the Mint of Nov. 4th 1875

2.1099 per ton

Description	Melt No ²	Bars	Gross Weight		Fineness	Stan ² Weight		value @ 1.24 + per St. O. No.
			oz.	dec		oz.	dec	
Special Melt	1068	1	3	4460	60	897 $\frac{1}{2}$	4448	21 ✓
— Do —	9	2	3	4303	45	897 $\frac{1}{2}$	4291	50 ✓
— Do —	1070	3	3	4406	15	898	4396	36 ✓
— Do —	1	4	3	4344	10	897 $\frac{1}{2}$	4332	03 ✓
— Do —	2	5	3	4451	25	899	4446	30 ✓
— Do —	3	6	3	4366	85	895 $\frac{1}{2}$	4345	01 ✓
— Do —	4	7	3	4329	20	911	4382	11 ✓
— Do —	5	8	3	4342	95	912	4299	52 ✓
— Do —	6	9	3	4400	55	914	4469	00 ✓
— Do —	7	10	3	4259	05	922 $\frac{1}{2}$	4365	53 ✓
— Do —	8	1	3	4470	80	908	4510	54 ✓
— Do —	9	2	3	4569	80	908	4610	42 ✓
— Do —	1060	3	3	4320	80	926 $\frac{1}{2}$	4448	02 ✓
— Do —	1	4	3	4375	55	927 $\frac{1}{2}$	4509	25 ✓
— Do —	2	5	3	4041	40	928 $\frac{1}{2}$	4169	38 ✓
— Do —	3	6	3	4035	25	927 $\frac{1}{2}$	4158	55 ✓
— Do —	4	7	3	4403	40	909	4447	43 ✓
— Do —	5	8	3	4486	15	910	4536	00 ✓
— Do —	6	9	3	4371	35	900	4371	35 ✓
— Do —	720	3	3	4366	80	901 $\frac{1}{2}$	4374	08 ✓
— Do —	8	1	3	4338	90	907	4372	65 ✓
— Do —	9	2	3	4382	55	904	4402	03 ✓
— Do —	1090	3	3	4242	50	904 $\frac{1}{2}$	4263	71 ✓
— Do —	1	4	3	4454	45	910 $\frac{1}{2}$	4506	42 ✓
72			104	423	85	105	455	40
Less Allowance for			52		21	909	52	73
"impurities or unavoidable			104		371	64	105	402
loss under Regulations May 173.			1		12	67	116	986
							131	138

Covered by Transfer Order #3179 dated Nov. 22. 1875

5273

No. 3179 Transfer

\$131.138.63

Silver

November 24th 1871 •

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec 6th, 1875.

Sir:

I transmit herewith Treasury Draft for \$25, issued in payment of the bill of John C. Trautwine for services in connection with the Artesian well at your Mint and which I will thank you to deliver to Mr Trautwine.

Very respectfully
H. Linderman

Director

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia Pa

Dec 13, 1875, Recd the above stated draft of
Superintendent Pollock. John C. Trautwine.
W. H. Hickok

H. M.

Dec 6/75

Enclosing Draft
#25. for Mrs. C.
Troutwine, C. E.,
for services in con-
-nection with Antislavery
work.

[Mr. Troutwine's
act "attached hereto"]

Rec'd Dec 13/75

Mint of the United States.

ENGRAVER'S DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, Dec 6th 1875
Hon James Pollock
Sir.

In reply to
your enquiry, when may we expect
the Medals, named U.S. Diplomatic
Medals of 1876. - I submit the two
Hubs to you for inspection. and beg leave
to state, that they are finished ready to
harden and make dies from. but owing to the
pulling down our hardening apparatus, in
the new building, and the pressure of the
unusually large order for the Branch Mints
I have thought best not to interrupt the making
of those dies (between 300 & 400 in number) before
having these Medal Hubs struck. So took
the dies for the Mexican Volunteers and completed
them first, to morrow I shall complete the
Carson Mint dies, when the hubs for the
Medals in question, shall be struck in dies

and completed. I submit to you the fact
that owing to the imperfect state of the field
or ground of the patterns sent. by the time
I have restored the surface I have very little
of the original left. I would like to
defer answering the question. when I shall
have it finished, as I cannot tell accurately
how long it will take to put such large hubs
into dies and mteel that is done thus will not
reach my hand. but I could promise them
early in Jan'y -

Yours Respectfully

Wm Barber

Engraver.

W Barber
Engraver

Dec 6th 1875

Will probably have
dies for diplomatic
Medal done early
in January—

Recd 6 Dec 1875—

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Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Dec. 6, 1875.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that Transfer Order No 3203 dated Dec. 3, 1875, for \$14,152.²¹ in Silver, has this day been forwarded to the Supt of the U.S. Assay Office, New York, to be placed to my credit in the Bullion Fund &c, as a transfer of funds from the Mint U.S. Philadelphia, Pa., — being the amount of the difference between the cost at \$1.1099 per oz standard and the coining value at \$1.244168, of 105,402.67 ounces of standard silver bullion transferred on T.O. No 3179.

I will thank you, therefore, to charge me with the same in your next transcript of Bullion Fund &c.

Very respectfully,

Wm. A. Rusk

Treasurer U. S.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,

Supt. Mint U.S.

Philadelphia, Pa.

J C New
Treasurer U. S.
6 Dec 1875

Notifying of $\$14,152^{\frac{21}{100}}$
in silver, favor N.Y. A. B. being
difference between cost and
coining value of $105,402^{\frac{67}{100}}$
of stand. Silver Bullion
from N.Y. A. B. (to correct
error in transfer at c'vals)

Correspondence
U. S. Mint, &
Branches

December, 1875

Rec'd 7 Dec 75

BICKFORD & CO.

Bickford Automatic Family Knitting Machines,

No. 689 BROADWAY.

New York, Dec 7th 1870

James Pollock Esq

Supt U. S. Mint Philadelphia Penn
Dear Sir

The Director Dr Linderman
promised to furnish me. all necessary Coins
of my design, when ever I was ready to present
it to Congress, for its adoption.

As I propose to present it, at an Early day.
I am again a sample Coin for each Senator
and Member of Congress, you will please
have struck off, as soon as possible. and
forward to my address, Six Hundred
Coins as per my design.

You will confer a favor, by informing
me, when I may expect them. as the petition
will soon be ready.

Awaiting your Early Consideration.

I remain

Yours Respectfully

Dana Bickford

per Cook

P.S

If you only have a few on
hand, please send those at once

Dana Rockford
New York
Dec 7/78

Wants 600^{rs} -
International Com^{rs}
forwarded to him,
for the use of
Congress.

Put Dec 9/78

J. Parkhurst & Co. Bankers

Elkland, Pa. Dec 7 1875

Director of Phila.^{ia} U S Mint.
D. Sir -

We send you by Express this day some sam-
ples of quartz ore. ~~For~~ the metal in which
we wish ^{sent to us.} ~~see under~~. From the whole of
the ore sent, we expect the result of the
assay will give us about an average
yield from the lead or lode; therefore
we wish the amt rec'd by you weighed,
and the result sent to us by Express,
C.O.D. if you choose. We also wish a
certificate of assay, showing quan.^{ty} of silver,
lead, iron &c.

Please write us upon receipt of spec-
imens what the expense of the assay will be.
and you may send us bill of same.

Yours truly

J. Parkhurst & Co

J Parkhurst & Co
Goldland
Pa

Dec 7 1875

Sending one to
the Mint for
assay.

Recd Dec 9. 1875.

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J.P.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Dec. 7, 1875.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, dated Dec. 6, 1875, in relation to a transfer of Coin amounting to \$10,417.44.

Treasury Warrant No 2559 was issued for the purpose of making good to you in your "Recoinage '9c" the amount of "Losses on Recoinage of Gold Coins 1875", viz: \$10,417.44, which amount was paid out in this office on draft and warrant, and received back as a transfer from the Mint at Philadelphia. You will, therefore, please to charge me in your "Recoinage '9c", with that amount, as a "Transfer of funds" - giving the detail as before communicated.

Very respectfully,

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Supt. Mint U.S.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Wm. B. Ewing
Treasurer U.S.

J. C. New
Treasurer U. S.
7 Dec, 1875,

T.O. \$10,417⁴⁴ issued
to make good losses on
recoinage of gold coins
1875.

Rec'd 8 Dec, 75.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December, 7 1875.

Sir,

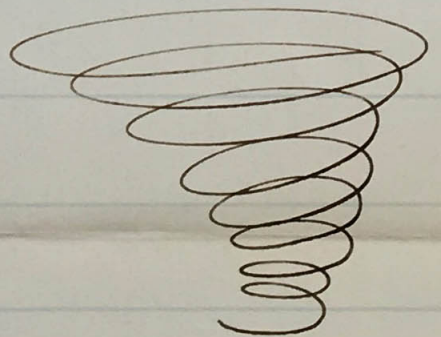
I have received your Ordinary
Expense Account for the month of
November, 1875.

Very respectfully,

W. R. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



H. M.

Dec. 7/75

Ord'y of the
November, 1875, recd

Recd Dec 8/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Decr 8th, 1875.

Sir:
Your Bullion accounts for the
quarter ending September 30th 1875. are
received.

Very respectfully
H. Lindemann
Director

Hon James Pollock
Fifth Mint
Philadelphia

W. W.

Dec 8/75

Bullion A/c's
rec'd for quarters
ending Sept 30/75

Rec'd Dec 9/75

1895-
Richmond Dec 8

Please Let Men Know What
our Piece of Coin Amount
\$100 Is worth Sale of Coin
1799 This Piece of Money Is as
I have as it Was the Day St
War Maid Please Let the
Know What This Piece of Coin
Is worth Please answer soon
yours. Respectfully

John H Ambrose
Richmond Pa

P.S. Please Let Me Know How
Much other Coin you Will
Give Me for this Piece & Speak
of

John H Ambrose
Rochester Pa
8 Dec 1875

Inquiring value of
Dollar of \$799.

Rec'd Dec 19 1875

Mint of the United States,

COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

Philadelphia, Dec. 8th 1875.

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent.

Sir;

Referring to my letter of November 26th, I have the honor to inform you that the Silver Dollar Ingot supposed to be lost in the working of the 11th of November, was found this morning at the bottom of a car load of Copper strips, which had been allowed to remain on the car for future manipulation.

It is presumed that the Silver strip was allowed to remain in the Annealing Furnace, which furnace was immediately used for the annealing of Copper strips. On removing the latter the Silver strip was taken out with them, and becoming mingled with a great mass of that metal, was not found until this morning, when we came to finish the Copper strips.

This accident which has occasioned no so much annoyance, was

partially due to the carelessness of the
stuncaler, who is to some extent, however,
excusable from the fact that the iron plates
in the bottom of the stuncaling furnaces do
not run up against the walls of the furnaces.

The vacant space thus existing between
the plates, and the sides of the furnace has
heretofore been filled with fire clay, mortar &c.
This works out leaving a cavity, in which
a strip can very easily fall, and to some
extent be hid from the eye of the stuncaler.

This defect in the construction of the fur-
naces I am abating by having new
plates cast, to run up to the sides of the
furnace, with a moulding or flange, on
the edge of the plates.

It is a source of congrat-
ulation to us all that this apparent loss
is so satisfactorily explained.

I have the honor to remain

Yours Obt. Servant

London Hunter
Comer.

A. L. Snowden &
Coines
Dec 8/75

Reports the discovery
of the missing Dolls
in got, reported No.
- number 26th.

Rec'd Dec 8/75

Mint of the United States,

CHIEF COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

Philadelphia, Dec. 8th 1875.

Hon. James Pollock,
Superintendent.

Sir;

I have the honor to direct your attention to the fact that whilst Thos. F. Hackett, and H. H. Haigh were regularly transferred from the Laborers Rolls, to this Department as Cutters, and perform the work, their pay has not yet been changed, from that paid to them as Laborers. I presume this is an oversight in transmitting their names to Washington originally. Please have the correction made so that they may receive the pay to which they are entitled, to wit; \$2 90 per diem, as it is obviously unjust that these men should perform the same duty at a less compensation than is paid to other men in the Department.

I have the honor to remain
Your Obt. Servant

Borden Hurdges
Coiner.

A. L. Snowden &
Coined
Dec 8/75

Recommending
that the per diem of
Thos. F. Hackett, and
Chas. H. Haigh late
Labors, now putters,
be increased to
\$2.20 to be Equal
to the other Cutters

Rec'd Dec 8/75

Mint Copy

U.S. Assay Office, at N.Y. Dec. 8th 1875

Fourth Shipment of Silver bullion on 1/2 second purchase of
Doré Silver at San Francisco,

Description	Number	Bars	Gross Weight oz.	Weight dec.	Fineness	Stand ^d Weight oz.	Weight dec.	@ 1000 M Pure Silver oz.	Weight dec.	Value of Pure Silver @ 12 1/2 per oz. G.C. \$	d			
Special Melt	9 ² 25	3	4231	85	919 1/2	4323	54	3891	19					
— No —	10 ³ 16	3	4297	40	919 1/2	4390	51	3951	46					
— No —	11 ⁴ 7	3	4396	85	918	4484	79	4036	31					
— No —	12 ⁵ 8	3	4421	80	919	4515	15	4063	63					
— No —	13 ⁶ 9	3	4477	40	919	4571	92	4114	73					
— No —	14 ⁷ 30	3	4526	90	918	4617	44	4155	69					
— No —	15 ⁸ 1	3	4515	05	919	4610	37	4149	33					
— No —	16 ⁹ 2	3	4474	45	919	4568	91	4112	02					
— No —	1100 ¹⁰ 3	3	4416	25	918 1/2	4507	03	4056	33					
— No —	11 ¹¹ 4	3	4323	45	918 1/2	4412	32	3971	09					
— No —	12 ¹² 5	3	4260	00	918 1/2	4347	57	3912	81					
— No —	13 ¹³ 6	3	4612	50	910	4663	75	4197	38					
— No —	14 ¹⁴ 7	3	4321	15	908 1/2	4361	96	3925	76					
— No —	15 ¹⁵ 8	3	4502	50	908 1/2	4545	02	4090	52					
— No —	16 ¹⁶ 9	3	4533	20	909 1/2	4581	05	4122	95					
— No —	17 ¹⁷ 40	3	4527	15	908 1/2	4569	91	4112	92					
— No —	18 ¹⁸ 1	3	4573	85	908 1/2	4617	05	4155	34					
— No —	19 ¹⁹ 2	3	4571	15	908 1/2	4614	32	4152	89					
— No —	1110 ²⁰ 3	3	4321	60	906	4349	74	3824	77					
— No —	11 ²¹ 4	3	4254	55	920	4349	10	3914	19					
— No —	12 ²² 5	3	4347	25	918 1/2	4436	61	3992	95					
— No —	13 ²³ 6	3	4244	30	920 1/2	4340	98	3906	88					
— No —	14 ²⁴ 7	3	4291	75	919 1/2	4384	74	3946	26					
— No —	15 ²⁵ 8	3	4411	50	921	4514	43	4062	99					
— No —	16 ²⁶ 9	3	4345 4400	42 35	918	4488 4488	36 36	4039	52					
Less allowance for			75	110	154	20	112	066	57	100	859	91		
impurities or unavoidable					54	93								
under Regulations May 1.73					55	08	915 1/2	56	03	50	43			
			110	099	12	112	010	54	100	809	48	122	483	52
			110	099	27									

Covered by Transfer Order #3206 dated Dec. 6th 1875.

No. 3200 Transfer of

\$122.48352

Silva

Decemb 9th 1875

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec. 9th, 1875.

Sir

I am in receipt of yours of yesterday, enclosing two bids for 10000 lbs of Copper - one from Pope, Cole & Co of Baltimore at 23 cts. per lb, and the other from Merchant & Co, at 23⁸⁵ ¢ per lb.

The bid of Pope, Cole & Co, being the lowest, you are authorized to award the contract to that firm. The enclosures are herewith returned.

Very respectfully

A. R. Ransom

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint & Co.

Philadelphia

H.M.

Dec 9 1875

Apprais proposal
of Pope, Feb 4th to
furnish 10,000 lbs
Copper for mixed
Coinage @ 23¢.

Recd Dec 10/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec. 9, 1875.

Sir

You are requested to have the following Weights made at your Mint, and forwarded to the Superintendent of the Mint at Denver.

One $\frac{5}{100}$ ounce Weight

One $\frac{4}{100}$ " "

One $\frac{3}{100}$ " "

One $\frac{2}{100}$ " "

One $\frac{1}{100}$ " "

When the Weights are finished, the bill will be made out to the Superintendent of the Mint at Denver, and forwarded to this Office for payment.

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.

Philadelphia

Very respectfully

H. Linderman

Director

D. M.

Dec 9 / 75

Wants 5 small
weights for Standard
Mint.

Recd Dec 10 / 75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec. 10th, 1875.

Sir

I have yours of yesterday
enclosing for my approval, the Contract
of Messrs Atkinson and Myklevitz for
cleaning the North front and
flanks of the Mint building for
the Sum of \$950.

The Contract is
herewith returned approved.

Very respectfully
H. R. Ransom

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

D. M.

10 Dec 1895

Returning approved
contract, Atkinson &
Nighlitz, cleaning A.
front & flanks.

Recd 11 Dec 95

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 10, 1875.

Sir,

I have received your communication of the 9th inst. informing me of the decease on the 22nd ultimo of Mr. James Wesley Melter in the Melter ^{and} Refiners Department of your Mint.

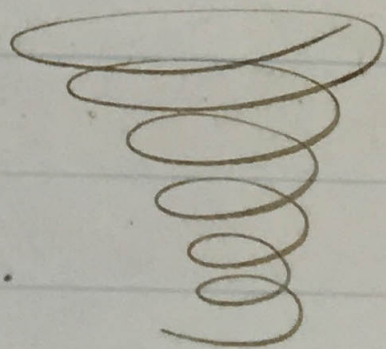
The same has been noted on the Official Register of this Office.

Very respectfully,

H. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock.
Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.



D.M.

10 Dec 1875.

Accu. notice death of
J. Heeslet, m & R.
Sept.

Rec'd 11 Dec 75.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 10, 1875.

Sir,

I return herewith for correction
petty bill of Martha Horner, belong-
ing to your Ordinary Expense Account
for the month of November, 1875.

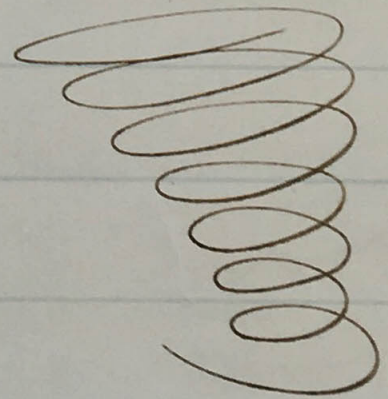
The amount of the bill should
appear on its face.

Very respectfully,

H. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



D.M.

10 Dec. 1875.

Returning for correction
bill of Martha Horner
Ord. of Nov.

Recd 11 Dec 75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

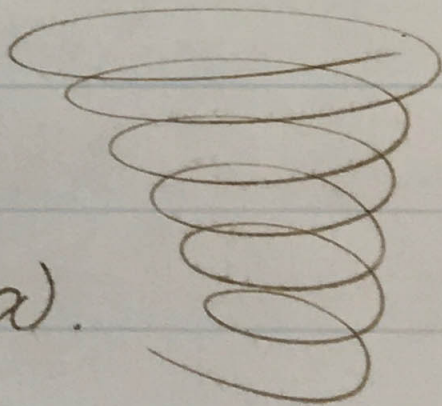
December 10, 1873.

Sir,

The increase in the compensation of Theodore F. Hackett and H. H. Haigh, Cutters, in the Coiners Department, from \$2.45 to \$2.90 per diem, submitted in your communication of the 9th inst., is hereby approved to take effect from the 1st instant.

Very respectfully,
W. B. Underman
Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



N.M.

10 Dec 1875

Apprising increase in
per diem to $\frac{1}{2}$ 2⁹⁰ of J.F.
Nackett & H.H. Waigh,
Coiners' Dept

Rec'd 11 Dec 75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 10, 1875.

Sir,

Referring to Voucher No. 489 of your Ordinary Expense Account for November, bill of Oliver Bradin for erecting an addition to the Mint building, I have to inform you that the same cannot properly be taken up in your Ordinary A/c.

This bill having been paid from an appropriation made by Congress in the Act of March 3. 1875 for a specific purpose, viz: the erection of two additional Annealing Furnaces at your Mint, and which is kept separate on the books of the Department from the Ordinary Contingent Appropriation, cannot be included

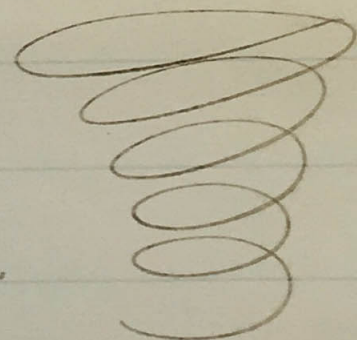
in the items of ordinary expenses,
but should be embraced in a sep-
arate account - an account with
the appropriation from which it
is paid.

I return herewith the Voucher
referred to and also your "Abstract
of Expenses" and "Account current"
for correction in this particular.

Very respectfully,
H. B. Underman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock.
Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.



D. W.

Dec 10/75

Bill for ~~Anterior~~
amalgam ^{Surgeon} ~~work~~ should be put
in a separate ac
and not in the Ordinary
Expense ac.

Rec'd Dec 13/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Decr 11th, 1875.

Sir:

The Secretary of the Treasury has so far modified his former instructions as to authorize the coinage of three and five cent minor coins to the amount of \$50,000 in value, ^{he} also ^{authorizes} the recoinage of such minor coins as are not reissueable, provided, that the new pieces coined therefor shall not be in excess at any one time of the probable immediate demand, therefor, and that the aggregate amount of three and five cent pieces coined, shall ^{not} exceed the amount of \$50,000 as above authorized.

This authority authorizes the recoinage of the old, Copper cents, the Nickel-Copper cent, all mutilated, minor coins, and the

two cent bronze pieces into one cent pieces.

I deem this a proper occasion to say that as far as possible these coins, when taken from the redemption fund and passed into the hands of the Minter & Refiner, should be immediately melted. It is a sound principle of Minting that coins having a nominal value in excess of their metal value, should not be held by the operative officers, I will therefore thank you to give such directions as will insure the melting of these coins simultaneously with their delivery.

Very respectfully
J. R. Anderson

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

H.M.

Dec. 11/75

Secy Treasry authorizes
Coinage of 3 & 5¢ nickels
to the amt of \$50,000.

Old coins delivered to
the M&N to be immen-
-diately melted.

Rec'd Dec 10/75

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

11th Decemb. 1875

Hon. James Pollock

Superintendent

Sir,

I respectfully transmit you herewith the numerical results of melting bullion for the month of November.

I need hardly remark that the results are satisfactory, except that I regret our having only done half as much as we might have done, if we had received the supply of Silver.

Altho' the proportion of Silver melts condemned is quite moderate, yet it would have been still less, had not an accidental admixture of Artesian Well water vitiated the assay.

Respectfully yours

J. C. Booth

M & R

James C. Booth
M & R

11 Dec 1875

Transmitting reports
Gold & Silver Melting
November.

Read 11 Dec 75

Pope, Cole & Co.
Baltimore Copper Works
(Canton)

Office No. 57 S. Gay St.

Baltimore, 11 Decemb., 1875.

Hon. James Vollock

Superintendent of the Mint of the United States.
Philadelphia,

Dear Sir:

We are favored with your
Communication of 20 inst. advising acceptance of our
proposed of 6 inst. to furnish to your Mint 10,000 lbs.
Copper at .23⁴ per lb. We expect to forward said Copper
to the Mint on Monday next.

Very Respectfully
Pope, Cole & Co.

Pope, John & Co.
Baltimore
Dec. 11. 1875

We found 10,000 lb
Copper to the street on
Monday 13th.

Rec'd Dec 13/75

Pope, Cole & Co.
Baltimore Copper Works
(Canton.)

Office No. 57 S. Gay St.

Baltimore, 12 Decem. 1875.

Hon. James Tollock,

Superintendent of the Mint of the United States,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sir:

We have to-day forwarded
to the Mint at Philadelphia, 10 Casts. = 10,000 lbs.,
Best Copper, in pursuance of your instructions,
of 10' inst. Bill will follow in due course,
Thos. Adams Express Co.

Yours truly
Pope, Cole & Co.

Pope, Cole & Co
Baltimore
Md

Dec 13/75

Have forwarded
10,000 lbs Copper
in proposals

Rec'd Dec 14/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 14, 1875.

Sir,

In reply to your communication of yesterday relative to the Bills for additional Annealing Furnaces paid from the appropriation made for that purpose and taken up in your Ordinary Expense Accounts for the months of October ^{and} November, I have to state that the Register of the Treasury has upon my request consented to transfer the sum of \$15,000. advanced you for the erection of two Annealing Furnaces, and so charged on his books, to the general Ordinary Fund of your Mint, so that the same will hereafter be included in the statement rendered by the Register to the Auditor

of the amounts advanced you for
Ordinary Expenses.

This will obviate the neces-
sity of separating the Accounts, and
will enable you to render any further
bills for Annealing Furnaces as a part
of your Ordinary Ac. simply preserv-
ing the proper balances on your
books of each appropriation - Conting-
ent Expenses and Annealing Furnaces.

Very respectfully.

H. B. Linderman
Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

Please return the vouchers & Abstracts.
E. L.

W. M.

Dec 14 / 75

\$15,000. for an-
-nealing furnace, has
been transferred to
Ordry of a Books
of the Register, to fa-
-cilitate settlement of
of it.

Rec Dec 15 / 75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec. 14, 1875.

Sir

I enclose herewith copy of communication from J. F. Evans, Esq. Special Agent of the Treasury Department, respecting defective coinage of Trade Dollars at the Mint in Carson.

I will thank you to carefully examine this document, and state in what respect ^{if any} the dies furnished the Carson Mint differ from those sent to San Francisco, and those used at your Mint, together with any suggestions you may think proper to offer as to the cause of the alleged defective coinage of Trade Dollars, and the remedies necessary to correct the same.

I will thank you also to confer
with the Coroner as to the limit
allowed in the adjustment of
the Trade Dollar blanks, and
the actual deviation shown in
the coined pieces.

Very respectfully

H. Linderman

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

W. W.

Dec 14/75

Enclosing copy of
report of J. F. Roam, &
Special Agent Reag, Dept
respecting defective coins
of Trade Dollars at the
Carson Mint, and
requesting investigation of
the cause.

[Report of Coiner ^{21 Dec}
^{18 Dec} Improvement filed herein.]

Recd Dec 15/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dear Sir, 15th, 1875.

Sir;

Referring to your letter of the 11th instant relative to the amount of Subsidiary Silver coin on hand at your Mint you are informed that the delay in making transfers to the Treasurer is owing to the want of vault room at the various Sub Treasuries and depositories, and that for the present it will be necessary to retain the coin at the Mint.

Very respectfully
A. A. Linderman

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint of
Philadelphia

H. M.

Dec 13/75

Subsidiary Silver
Coins will have to
remain in the Mint
for want of Vault
Rooms in the Sub-
treasuries.

Rec Dec 16/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 15, 1875.

Sir,

In reply to your communication of yesterday relative to your Requisition for funds for the current month I have to inform you that a Draft for the amount will be mailed so as to reach you this week.

Very respectfully,
H. Reinderman
Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

H. M.

Dec 15/75

Draft for December
will be forwarded
this week.

Rec'd Dec 16/75

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

15th Dec.

1874

Hon. James Pollock

Suptdt. U.S.M. at Phil^a

Dear Sir,

I have just read the letter of the Director of the 14th Inst. requesting you to give me a sample of copper to assay for its purity. On this subject I beg leave to say that for me to make such an assay of copper would be to abandon all my duties at the Mint & for two days to devote myself to the assay, beside which my assay would not be relied upon by myself as well as Dr Garrett's. I am extremely rusty in these things & give them all to him to do, as he is more skilful & accurate than myself. He executed such an analysis for Pope & Co. Baltimore

I was obliged to spend three days over it, because of the extraordinary purity of the copper. I would therefore suggest that the assay be executed by ~~the~~ Dr Garrett. I believe he would charge \$10 or \$15 = for the assay according to the minuteness of accuracy required.

Very truly yours
J A C Booth
M & R

J. C. Booth
M + R

Dec 15/75

In reference to Assay of
Rope Cole & Co's Sample
of Copper

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

15th December 1874

Hon. James Pollock

Suptdt. U. S. Mint at Phil^a

Dear Sir,

In relation to the position for the gentleman recommended from the Dep^t, I would beg leave to say that I know of none in connection with metallurgy, but I can find occupation for him in the calculations for the Monthly Reports to the Director of the Gold & Silver meltings, if we can find a place for him at a table, as I think we can find in the room of the calculating clerk. Other things would probably suggest themselves of which he may be capable.

Very truly yours

Wm Winter Davis
L. C. Booth
m & R

J. C. Booth,

M & R

Dec 15 1875

Can make place for
H. M. Dyle in his de-
partment

Office of U. S. Assistant-Treasurer
Philadelphia Pa Dec 15th 1875

Sir

Referring to your letters of the 16th & 19th of November in relation to \$100.000 in Gold Coin, held at the Mint in this City, being part of a transfer from the Assistant-Treasurer, U. S., at New-Orleans, I have to say, that, the aforesaid coin was paid to this Office, by the Mint, on the 23^d ultimo, upon your Transfer Order No 3.175.

The examination of this Coin has been made as rapidly as the business of the Office would permit, with the following result.

Denominations	weighing less than the least current weight.	weighing the least current weight or over
Double Eagles	840	12. 640
Eagles	1 720	9. 950
Half Eagles	775	44 115
Quarter Eagles	1,177.50	13. 822 50
Sundry 200		14 799
Counterfeit 1	201	
	4.713.50	95. 286.50

As you will notice in the above Statement, I find 983 pieces, making forty seven hundred and thirteen dollars and fifty cents. (\$4,713 ⁵⁰/₁₀₀) which are below the least current weight, and which of course, cannot be used in the payments of this Office. A portion of this, forty seven hundred and thirteen ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ dollars, say thirty nine (39) pieces, principally Eagles, making three hundred and ninety dollars. (390) bears the appearance of having been filed. I also find a Counterfeit Gold Dollar which is included in the amount rejected. I have the honor to request instructions as to the disposition to be made of these light pieces.

Very Respectfully
Your obt. servant

(Signed)

Geo. Eyster

Asst. Treas^r U. S.

Hon. J. C. New

Treasurer U. S.

Washington

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec. 16th, 1875.

Sir

Referring to your letter of the 30th of October last, enclosing the report of the Comr of same date, giving the results of the weighing of certain gold coins received from the Treasury at New Orleans, and inviting your attention to the enclosed copy of a letter from the Assistant Treasurer at Philadelphia, dated 15th inst., I will thank you to ascertain the cause of the discrepancy in the weighing of the coins embraced in the Assistant Treasurer's statement.

It would appear that the weighing at one place or the other was defective.

A Comparison of the Weights used
at the Sub-Treasury with those of
the Mint, should be made, and the ^{beams}
balance examined; and I suggest
that Mr. Tompkins make the
necessary comparison and examination.

When you have duly
looked into the Subject, please report
the result to this Office.

Very respectfully

H. R. Linderman

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint &c.
Philadelphia

D. W.

Dec 16/75

Discrepancy in
the weight of Gold
coins from New
Orleans, transported
from the Mint to
Asst Treas. U.S. at
Phil^a.

[1 enclosure]

Copy of letter A. T.
Phila. to Treas. U.S.,
reporting certain pieces
below least current
weight. val: \$4,713⁵⁹

Recd Dec 17/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Decr 16th, 1875.

Sir:

Sections 27 & 29 of the Coinage Act 1873, provides that the balances to the credit of the Silver Profit Fund and the "Minor Coinage Profit Fund" respectively shall be at least twice a year paid into the Treasury of the United States. Section 53 of the same act requires "that the moneys arising from all charges and deductions on and from gold and silver bullion, and the manufacture of medals, and from all other sources except as hereinbefore provided, shall from time to time, be covered into the Treasury of the U.S." Paragraph one page, 16th of general instructions and regulations, requires the ^{arising} funds, from the sale of by products and old

materials to be paid into the treasury of the U.S. at least twice a year.

In order that the provisions of law and regulations referred to, be complied with you are requested to transfer to the treasury of the U.S. in the usual form, as soon after the close of the present quarter as practicable the moneys arising on account of all profits gains charges, sale of by-products and old materials for the six months ending December 31 1875.

You will furnish this office at the same time an itemized statement of the different sources from which these profits gains & were derived and any transfer or legally authorized payments which may have been made out of these moneys.

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

Very respectfully
H R Ludeman
Director

M. W.

Dec 16/75

At Close of present yr.
all profits, gains, charges,
sale of old materials, for
6 mos. ending Dec 31/75
to be carried into the A.C.
Druid, and itemized
notes sent to the Kinship.

Rec'd Dec 17/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December, 16, 1875.

Sir.

I have received your communication of yesterday returning the
A/c current, abstract and Voucher #489
belonging to your Ordinary Account
for November, 1875.

I have this day referred your
November Ordinary A/c to the Account-
ing Officers of the Department for ad-
justment.

Very respectfully.
H. B. Sherman
Director.

Hon. James Pollock.
Supt. U. S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

H. M.

Dec 16/75

Ack'y return of
abstract of current ~~the~~
Voucher 489, November 7th

For ordy a/c
referred to accounts
officer kept.

Recd Dec 17/75

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

(Copy.)

16th Dec 1875

Hon James Pollock
Superintendent

Dear Sir

I have entirely worked up the Bullion received last week from the U.S. Assay Office, New York, and shall be glad to receive more in order to occupy my men. If I could receive the balance of the \$600,000. which was stated to be in New York, I would like very much to have it, so as to throw the greater part of it into coin by the close of the year, perhaps the whole of it, if we should receive it in time.

Respectfully Yours
(Signed) Jas. C. Boothy
Mint

Jas. C. Brett
MAY

Dec. 16/75

I act of Silver
Bulletin - Wants
the bal. of the
\$600,000. at the
N.Y. Assay Office

Rec'd Dec 16/75

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1875 / DECEMBER

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1875 / DECEMBER (CONT.)

R.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Dec. 16th, 1875.

Sir:

Herewith I have the honor to transmit Draft No. 8242
on Treasury, Warrant No. 2637, for \$32,400. —
payable to the order of Yourself
and accountable for under the following appropriations, viz:

76 Sals. Mint at Phila.

" Wages &c.

" Contg. Exp.

	3400	—
	21000	—
	8000	
	32400	—

Very respectfully,

J. A. Andrew,

Treasurer U. S.

James Pollock,
Supdt. of Mint
Philadelphia, Pa.

(This letter of advice is to be forwarded to the Disbursing Officer or Agent.)

Credited as directed, December 17, 1875.

W. H. B. B.

, Cashier.

Recd. U. S.
(No. 125)
Washington D.C.
Dec 16/75

Toronto draft for
December requisition.
\$32,400. —
(credited by Cashier)

Recd Dec 17/75

Mint of the United States,

~~Chief~~ COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

Philadelphia, Dec. 17th 1875.

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent.

Sir;

I have the honor to report the

following absences, with leave, during the past
thirty days - to wit:-

D. K. Hartzel	4 hours.	F. W. Clements	1 hour
R. M. Cartney	1 "	Rich ^d . Smith	3/4 "
Mr. C. Hunterdon	1 "	E. L. Giller	2 "
B. J. Buckman	1 1/2 "	Mr. A. Jones	2 1/2 "
Geo. Bones	3/4 "	Anna Lingetheth	1 "
Thos W. Wilson	1 1/2 "	H. Gibbon	1 1/2 "
Jas. C. Thorp	1 "	Mr. J. Bryant	2 3/4 "
F. Scheidt	3 "	E. E. McAllister	1/2 "
Wm H. Cannon	1 1/2 "	W. W. Chamber	2 1/2 "
Mr. K. Gardner	2 "	S. M. Martin	2 "
Wm Vanderkuchen	1 "	E. R. Perkins	1 1/2 "
Thos. Hackett	3 "	Mr. J. Hartman	2 "
H. H. Haigh	1/2 "	Mr. A. Battell	2 "
Mr. H. Dieffenbuser	1/2 "	A. L. Bonsall	3 1/2 "
G. G. Birkenstock	1 "	R. A. McManus	2 "

E. S. Mulligan	3 $\frac{1}{4}$ hours.	M. C. Bailey	$\frac{1}{4}$ hour
L. Kretschmar	1 $\frac{3}{4}$ "	E. Moran	2 "
K. W. Duntton	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	E. P. Whyster	1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "

I have the honor to remain

Yours Obt. Servant

London Insurance

Comin.

A. L. Snowden, }
Clerk
Dec 17/75

Reports absence, &
with leave, on the part
of 36 employees during
the last 30 days.

Rec'd Dec 17/75

Custom House —
And Warehouse — Corn
1878 —

No. 18. TREA

Custom House

Rochester, N. Y.

1874

Custoe House -

Petersburg -
Virginia

1875-

ASURY DEPARTMENT

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Mint of the United States,
Supt's OFFICE,

Philadelphia, Dec. 17. 1875.

Sir:-

I have to inform you that through the disability, and probably mortal sickness, of Mr. W^m B. Leidy, the position of Counter in the Cashier's Office is practically vacant.

The position, as you are aware is one of considerable responsibility, requiring in its incumbent exemplary morals, unblemished integrity, and circumspect living. He should be temperate, frugal, and an example among his fellows. In addition to these he should be noted for fidelity to trusts reposed in him, and a good accountant. I may add that in addition to these shining qualities he should, under the circumstances now transpiring at Washington in the House of Representatives, be a thorough and devoted supporter of Republican men and measures.

In view of these considerations I beg leave, after mature deliberation, to recommend for the vacant post above referred to, Mr. Lewis B. Leidy, a young man of

exceptionally good character, as I know partly by acquaintance during four years, and partly through common good report. I regard him as honest, faithful, capable and deserving. He also bears high commendations from gentlemen of prominent good standing in this community. There is, however, another reason that I feel bound to urge in favor of his preferment.

He is the son, and chief dependence of his father, Mr. Wm. D. Leidy, present incumbent of the place, and in the event of his father's decease, would have the burden of a large and somewhat helpless family to provide for. I need not say that his father has given long and faithful service in the position, and is now stricken with years and in a dying condition. It seems to me that the preferment of the son of so faithful a public servant would be an act of generosity and justice which would redound to your credit and greatly subserve public interest. I believe him to be satisfactory in all the respects named.

Hon. James Pollock } Very Respectfully
Superintendent. } Wm. H. Cobb
Clerk.

I fully concur in the above recommendation.
L. R. Cowpethwaite
Book Keeper

M. H. Cobb, &
Cashier U.S. Mint
Dec. 17, 1875
(L. R. Corbridge & Co.
Book Binders)

Recommending the
appointment of Lewis
C. Leidy, as Counter
in the Cashier's room,
We Wm. D. Leidy, di-
abled by illness

Rec Dec 17/75

Treasury Department,
First Comptroller's Office.

December 17th. 1875.

Hon James Pollock.

Supt. U. S. Mint.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Sir:

Your Supplemental account for Ordinary expenses of the U. S. Mint at Phil^a for the fiscal year ending June 30th. 1875, has been adjusted at the Treasury, per Report No. 199257; and is found to be balanced and closed.

Very Respectfully,

Wm Humphreys Jones.

Acting Comptroller.

W. A. Humphreys Jones, S
Actg 1st Corp Recd
Dec 17/78

Supplement of
fiscal year ending
June 30/75 settled
& closed.

Rec'd Dec 18/78

Mint of the United States,

~~COINER'S~~ COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

Philadelphia, Dec. 17th 1875

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent,
Sir;

I have examined the letter of George Eyster Esq. Assistant Treasurer, to the Hon. J. C. New, Treasurer of the United States, transmitted through the Director of the Mint, in relation to abraded coin from the Assistant Treasurer at New Orleans, weighed in this department, - a report of the result of which was made to your office, under date of October 30th 1875.

At your request I have the honor to state as I did in that report, that these pieces were weighed separately by the Adjusters, in conformity with instructions received from the Director of the Mint, to wit; that "all pieces found to weigh a quarter of a grain or more above the least current weight to be placed in one parcel and all of less weight in another."

As a result of these weighings there was found to be \$ 339.713 weighing a quarter of a

grain or more above the least current weight and \$ 60.287, weighing less than a quarter of a grain above the least current weight. No other sub-division was asked for or made of the coin. - Among the \$ 60.287 falling below the limit named by the Director there was doubtless, coin falling below the current weight - how much, I am not prepared to say, as those pieces that fell below the weight prescribed by the Director, were rejected, without ascertaining how much or how little they fell short.

You will see therefore, I performed the specific duty assigned me, in exact conformity with the instructions of the Director, and having completed that, the coin was returned to your possession, and there my official connection with the matter ended.

I am very respectfully
Your Obedient Servant
~~A. Loudon Snowden~~
Loudon Snowden Coiner.

A. London Snowden, &
Coines
Dec. 17. 1875

Explanation of the
weighing of \$400,000.
gold coin for Asst
Treas. U.S. at New
Orleans, La.

Rec'd Dec 17/75

The Mint of the United States at San Francisco.

Office of Superintendent,

San Francisco, Cal.,

Dec 18, 1875.)

Hon James Pollock,
Supt Mint U.S.,
Philadelphia—

Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. acknowledging the receipt of mine of 29th ult and enclosures, and advise you that I have this day mailed to your address, per registered package, the sample of deposit #481^g, omitted in mine of date above referred to.

Very respectfully,
O. H. Larrange
Supt.)

Mint of the United States

AT

San Francisco Dec. 18. 1875

O. H. LAGRANGE,
SUPERINTENDENT.

Contents Forward Sample
No. 481 Ho's Silver
omitted Nov. 29.

No. of Inclosures

Rec'd Dec 27/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec. 18, 1875.

Sir

I have received your letter of yesterday enclosing bill of R. A. McClure, for \$43.90 for coins and specimens purchased for the Mint Cabinet, and payable out of an appropriation "for specimens of ores and coins to be expended under direction of the Secretary of the Treasury". The bill has been approved and referred to the accounting officers for settlement.

As this appropriation is only \$200, it will be necessary for you to limit your purchases of specimen coins to \$25., for the balance of the fiscal year.

You will please

Send a Complete Set of proof coin
for 1875, enclosed in a proper
case, for the Cabinet of this
office, and transmit the bill
for the same to be paid by a
gold draft.

The cost of the case
will be paid in currency, and
made a separate bill.

Very respectfully
W. R. Anderson

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

H. M.

Dec 18/75

Bill of R. A. McGowan
\$43.90 for Coins to the
Cabinet, approved.

Request to pay
sett of 1875 in cash,
for United States
Will be paid by coin
draft

Rec'd Dec 20/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec. 18, 1875.

Sir

I have yours of yesterday—
Enclosing letter from the Melter
and Refiner, in relation to the
supply of bullion at your Mint,
and have instructed the Supt.
of the Assay Office, New York,
to forward Silver as rapidly
as possible.

Very respectfully
H. R. Anderson

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint &c.
Philadelphia

D. M.

Dec 18/75

Has instructed the
Supt N. Y. assay
office to forward
Silver Bulletin to the
extent as rapidly as
possible.

Recd Dec 20/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 18th, 1875.

Sir;

Referring to the requisition of the Assayer of your institution, for stationery, as transmitted in your letter of the 14th instant, I will thank you to send me specimens of the following viz:

500 Gold Ingot Reports.

500 " Bar "

500 " Deposit Blanks. —

I am very respectfully,
H. K. Linderman

Hon James Pollock
Superintendent &
Philadelphia Pa.

Director,

D.M.

Dec 18/75

Regn 3
Specimen 14
for Assay 1/2

Dec 20/75

Robert Schultz.

GIES & CO. BUFFALO.

John Hoge.



SCHULTZ & CO.
SOAP BOILERS,



Lanesville, O. Dec. 18 1875.

Suplt. H. A. McInt,
Philadelphia, Pa.,

Sir,

We want to pay us prizes for the
enclosed puzzle, forty (40) \$5.00 gold
pieces. If you are stamping for 1876
now, or will be in a few days, would take
it as a favor if you could send that date.
We will not use them until Jan. 1st.
or after. Enclosed find draft for
\$230.00 to pay for same and premium, —
any difference please report.

Yours,
Schultz & Co.

Schultz & Co
Zanesville O.
18 Dec 1875.

Forw. \$230. cy. for
\$200, sold \$5.5

Rec'd Dec 21/75 Reed.

Schultz & Co

Zanesville O.

18 Dec 1875.

Forw. \$230. cy. for
\$200, sold \$5.5

Rec'd Dec 21/75 Rec'd.

Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

Boston, Mass., December 20th, 1875.

Sir,

I notice in report from your office dated Dec. 17th that package of coins received from this office purporting to contain \$1208.- contained according to your count \$1207.⁰⁸. You report no spurious nor rejected pieces.

Twelve Hundred & eight dollars in minor coins were delivered to Adams Express Co. in payment of Transfer Draft #3321 calling for that amount in minor coins unfit for circulation.

You will please collect from the Express any deficiency. The nickel and bronze one cent pieces, which you report forty seven cents short, were counted twice in this office by two separate counters, and then proved by the counting board.

To the
Superintendent
U. S. Mint, Phila., Pa.

Respectfully
F. Haven
Asst. Treas. U. S.

Q-3126-04-18/5.

Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer,
BOSTON, MASS.,

Decr 20th, 1875.

J. Haven Jr

U. S. Assistant Treasurer.

States that shortage
in shipment of \$1208.00
M.C. for Redemption.
Should be collected
from Exp. Co. as the
Count was properly
verified &c
&c

No. of Enclosures,

Recd Dec 22. 1875

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Decr 21, 1875.

Sir:

I have this day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of one hundred and seventeen thousand seven hundred and twenty four $82\frac{1}{100}$ Dollars (\$117,724.82) (payable in 96 892 86 of pure Silver) from the bullion fund of the Assay Office N.Y. to that of your Mint.

Very respectfully
A. A. Linderman

Director

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

H. M.

Dec 21/75

96,892,86 ozs
pure silver (value
\$117,724.82) to be
transferred from
the B. F. of the
N.Y. Assay Office
to the B. F. of the
Mint

Rec'd Dec 22/75

Custom House, Milwaukee, Wis.,

Collector's Office, Dec 21, 1875.

Sir:

I have this day forwarded by the
Express, one package containing five hundred
seventy nine $\$100$ dollars ($\$79^{50}$) nominal value
light weight gold coin, received at this office
in payment of duties on imports, and have to
request you to deposit its equivalent in coin of
standard weight with the Assh Treasurer of the
U.S. in accordance with Treasury Dept Circular
of April 1873, and to forward to this office Certificate
of Deposit in duplicate.

Very Respectfully

Superintendent M. Sellink

Philadelphia.

Pa.

Wm C. Stevens

Collector of Customs

Custom House, Collector's Office,

MILWAUKEE, WIS.,

Dec. 21, 1875.

Gen. C. Stevens

Collector.

Forwards \$579⁵⁰
light gold coin for
recoinage, & de-
posit.

No. of Enclosures, —

Rec'd Dec 23/75

C I R C U L A R .

1875.

Department No. 167.

Independent Treasury Div. No. 21.

Treasury Department,

Washington, D. C., December 21, 1875.

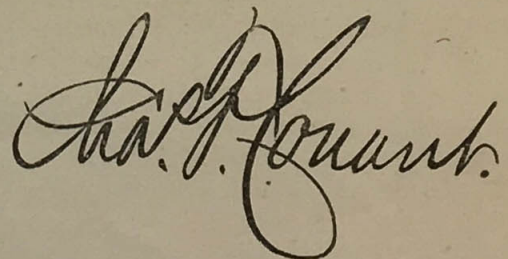
The following Sections of the Revised Statutes of the United States are published for the information and guidance of all parties concerned :

"SECTION 3620. It shall be the duty of every disbursing officer having any public money intrusted to him for disbursement, to deposit the same with the Treasurer or some one of the Assistant Treasurers of the United States, and to draw for the same only as it may be required for payments to be made by him in pursuance of law ; and all transfers from the Treasurer of the United States to a disbursing officer shall be by draft or warrant on the Treasury or an Assistant Treasurer of the United States. In places, however, where there is no Treasurer or Assistant Treasurer, the Secretary of the Treasury may, when he deems it essential to the public interest, specially authorize in writing the deposit of such public money in any other public depository, or, in writing, authorize the same to be kept in any other manner, and under such rules and regulations as he may deem most safe and effectual to facilitate the payments to public creditors.

"SECTION 5488. Every disbursing officer of the United States who deposits any public money intrusted to him in any place or in any manner, except as authorized by law, or converts to his own use in any way whatever, or loans with or without interest, or for any purpose not prescribed by law withdraws from the Treasurer or any Assistant Treasurer, or any authorized depository, or for any purpose not prescribed by law transfers or applies any portion of the public money intrusted to him, is, in every such act, deemed guilty of an embezzlement of the money so deposited, converted, loaned, withdrawn, transferred, or applied; and shall be punished by imprisonment with hard labor for a term not less than one year nor more than ten years, or by a fine of not more than the amount embezzled or less than one thousand dollars, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

"SECTION 5497. Every banker, broker, or other person not an authorized depository of public moneys, who knowingly receives from any disbursing officer, or Collector of Internal Revenue, or other agent of the United States, any public money on deposit, or by way of loan or accommodation, with or without interest, or otherwise than in payment of a debt against the United States, or who uses, transfers, converts, appropriates, or applies any portion of the public money for any purpose not prescribed by law, and every president, cashier, teller, director, or other officer of any bank or banking association, who violates any of the provisions of this Section, is guilty of an act of embezzlement of the public money so deposited, loaned, transferred, used, converted, appropriated, or applied, and shall be punished as prescribed in Section fifty-four hundred and eighty-eight."

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY:



Assistant Secretary.

Circular
Chas F Bryant
Offic Sec Treas
21 Dec 1875-

Circular publishing
§§ 3620, 5488, 5497.
Rev. Frak, relative to custody
and use of public
moneys.

Rec'd 30 Dec 75

No. 1274

MEMORANDUM of GOLD BULLION deposited at the MINT of the UNITED STATES

at Philadelphia, the 24th day of December 1874, by G. C. Thompson

NOTE.—This Memorandum is for the information of the Depositor, and is of no other Value.

DESCRIPTION OF BULLION		WEIGHT				FINENESS 1,000th.	VALUE OF THE GOLD		SILVER PARTED FROM THE GOLD			DEDUCTIONS For Parting, Coinage and Fine Bars		NET VALUE	
		BEFORE MELTING		AFTER MELTING			Dollars	Cts.	FINENESS 1,000th.	Value		Dollars	Cts.	Dollars	Cts.
		Ounces	Dec.	Ounces	Dec.					Dollars	Cts.				
U. S. light Coin		21	35	21	35	900	397	21						397	21
Collectors Customs Rochester N.Y.		TriPLICATE				Jale Value \$401.00									

Triplicate

Sale Value
\$401.00

I Certify that the net amount of the above Deposit is Three hundred and Ninety seven ²¹/₁₀₀ Dollars.
 Payable at the Mint, only on presentation of the receipt of a corresponding date and number heretofore issued.

Gold Coin, \$ 397.21
 Gold Bars, \$
 Silver Coin, \$
 Silver Bars, \$

JAMES POLLOCK,
 Superintendent of the Mint.

By

C. B. Jones

Custom House, Rochester, N. Y.,

Collector's Office,

Dec 22nd, 1874.

Sir,

I have sent by Am Express Co
One bag containing Four hundred & One
dollars (\$401) Light gold for coinage

The net value of which amount
I wish deposited in my name with
The Asst US Treasurer Philadelphia.
to the credit of the United States
Treasury, on account of Duties on Imports

I am very respectfully

Yours

Collector

To
Jas Pollock Esq
Supr US Mint
Philadelphia
Pa

Custom House, Collector's Office,
ROCHESTER, N. Y.,

Dec 23, 1874

J. M. Davy

Collector.

Forwards by Express
#401 light gold for
recognition and
deposit.

No. of Enclosures, _____

Rec'd Dec 24/74

All Official Letters to the Treasurer's Office must be addressed to the "Treasurer of the U. S.," and in replying to Letters from the "Treasurer's Office," the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

J. P.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Dec. 22^d, 1875.

Sir:

Transfer Orders No. 3197 and 3198 charged to me in your transcript of "Minor Coin Redemption Account", for the period of Dec. 11, 1875, have not been received at this office.

I will thank you to forward the same by return mail.

Very respectfully

J. P. Morgan

Treasurer U.S.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,

Supt. Mint U.S.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Recd. U. S.
(Mok. New)
Washington D.C.
Dec. 22/75

Wants trans for Order
Nos. 3197-3198, minus
Coinage Redemption of -
transcript of Dec. 11/75.

Recd Dec 23/75

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22.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Dec. 22, 1875.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose herewith Transfer Order No. 3256, dated Dec. 21, 1875, on the Asst. Treasurer U.S. Philadelphia, Pa., for Four thousand seven hundred and thirteen ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars (\$4,713.50) in light gold coin, payable to your order, and to be placed to my credit in "Recoinage Account."

Very respectfully,

Andrew
Treasurer U.S.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,

Supt. Mint U.S.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Trans. U. S.
(No 6. Nov)
Washington DC.
Dec. 22/75

Inclosing transfer
order No 3256, on West
Trans at Phila for
\$4,713 ⁵⁰ light gold
coin for recouping

Rec'd Dec 23/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec. 22^d, 1875.

Will you be kind enough to
correct and return the enclosed sheet,
showing the Assay Coins reserved
during the Month of June.

The Column of reserved
Quarter Dollar and Twenty Cent pieces,
seems to foot up 301, instead of
299, as stated in your report.

Very respectfully
A. R. Linderman
Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

W. L. L.

Dec 22/75

Returns to
Comstock, Repat
of assay coins
for Jan 1875.

Rec Dec 23/75

Mint Copy

U.S. Assay Office at N.Y. Dec^r 23. 75.

Fifth shipment of Silver bullion on 2^d second purchase of sort
Silver at San Francisco.

Description	Number	Bars	Gross Weight		Fineness	Standard Weight		@ 1000 Ht		Value of Pure Silver				
			oz.	dec.		oz.	dec.	Pure Silver	@ 12 1/2 per 90					
Special Melt	1150	3	4397	25	914 1/2	4468	09	✓	4021	28				
— 50 —	1	3	4156	95	920 1/2	4251	63	✓	3826	47				
— 50 —	2	3	4259	70	914	4325	96	✓	3893	36				
— 50 —	3	3	4233	70	918 1/2	4320	73	✓	3888	66				
— 50 —	4	3	4402	10	913 1/2	4468	13	✓	4021	32				
— 50 —	5	3	4322	82	916 1/2	4372	64	✓	3989	25				
— 50 —	6	3	4401	30	922	4508	89	✓	4058	00				
— 50 —	7	3	4459	50	921	4563	55	✓	4107	20				
— 50 —	8	3	4435	75	919 1/2	4531	86	✓	4078	67				
— 50 —	9	3	4481	10	919 1/2	4578	19	✓	4120	37				
— 50 —	10	3	4524	70	922	4635	30	✓	4171	77				
— 50 —	1	3	4412	65	920	4510	71	✓	4059	64				
— 50 —	2	3	4340	55	921	4441	83	✓	3997	65				
— 50 —	3	3	4398	65	921	4501	28	✓	4051	15				
— 50 —	4	3	4405	30	920	4503	20	✓	4052	88				
— 50 —	5	3	4611	45	921 1/2	4721	61	✓	4249	45				
— 50 —	6	3	4622	65	922 1/2	4738	21	✓	4264	39				
— 50 —	7	3	4363	60	921	4465	42	✓	4018	88				
— 50 —	8	3	4331	60	907	4365	29	✓	3928	76				
— 50 —	9	3	4363	05	909	4406	68	✓	3966	01				
— 50 —	10	3	4322	65	910 1/2	4373	08	✓	3935	77				
— 50 —	1	3	4394	30	909 1/2	4440	68	✓	3996	61				
— 50 —	2	3	4601	30	909	4647	31	✓	4182	58				
— 50 —	3	3	4486	05	905 1/2	4512	46	✓	4061	21				
			52	87										
			72	105	757	55	107	712	59	96	941	33		
Less allowance for "impurities or unavoidable loss" under Regulations May 1. 73.			52	88	916	7	53	86		48	47			
			105	704	67	107	658	78	96	892	86	117	724	82

Covered by Transfer Order #3255 dated Dec^r 21st 1875

12/23/75

Sierra

(Transfer)

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec. 23^d, 1875.

Sir

One of the Officers of the Mexican Veteran Association called upon me to day in reference to the charge for manufacturing the Badge of the Association.

The original understanding was, that the expense should not exceed the actual cost of manufacture, and in preparing the medals, I will thank you to regulate the price accordingly.

Very respectfully
J. Linders

Hon. James Pollock

Director

Supt. Mint of

Phila^{da}

Re. 10.

Dec 23/75

Price of
Mexican Veteran
Medals to be returned

Re. Dec 24/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Decr 23^d, 1875.

Sir:

Your letter of the 22^d instant enclosing
Certificate of Deposits for \$800. on account of
Profits on Medals is received.

Very respectfully
J. Henderson
Director

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

W. W.

Dec 23/75

Ask'g rest of \$8
for 800. profit 7
Mendal dept

Rec'd Dec 24/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 28, 1875.

Sir,

The appointment of Lewis C. Leidy as Counter in the Cashier's office of the General Department of your Mint at a compensation of \$3.⁰⁰ per diem, vice Wm. B. Leidy, deceased, submitted in your communication of the 22nd inst., is hereby approved to take effect from the 3rd proximo.

Very respectfully,

W. B. Swanwick

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,

Supt. U.S. Mint,

Philadelphia.

I suggest that \$3. - is rather small compensation considering the responsibilities, & that I suppose you will consider this point after trial of the new incumbent.

Recd

Dec. 23/75

App'g appt of Lewis
C. Leidy, on ~~an~~
Comtee in the Customs
office from Jan'y 1/76
at \$3. per diem, Vice
Wm B. Leidy, demand.

Recd Dec 24/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Hon James Pollock

Dec 23, 1875.

Dear Sir,

I had not heard of the death of Mr W. B. Leidy, until the receipt of your letter of yesterday nominating his successor. I should not do justice to my feelings if I permitted this opportunity to pass without bearing testimony to the integrity, industry, loyalty & zeal of the deceased. He was truly a good and worthy man. whose honest face, & kindly words, and efficient service will not soon be forgotten by his associates.

Truly Yours
H. B. Anderson

¹²⁰
Hall.

Dec 23/75

Expressing regret
at the death of
Mr B. Lidy.

Recd Dec 24/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December 23, 1875.

Sir.

I have received your communication of yesterday informing me of the dismissal of James Q. Lord, Conductor in the General Department of your Mint.

The same has been noted on the official Register of this office.

Very respectfully,
H. Linderman
Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

H. H.

Dec 23/75

Ack of dismissal of
James S. Lord, conductor.

Rec Dec 24/75

ORIGINAL.

No. 26

United States Assay Office at New York,

New York, Dec^r 22 1875

Received from the U. S. ASSAY OFFICE at New York, for transportation and delivery to the U. S. Mint, at Philadelphia, Twenty-boxes Gold bullion, of the net value of One Million & forty eight thousand, five hundred & ninety two ¹⁰⁰ Dollars, returnable in Double Eagles

\$1,048,592⁰⁰/₁₀₀

A. Babcock

For the Adams Express Company.

United States Assay Office,

New York,

Dec^r 23rd 1875

Sir:

I herewith transmit Express Receipt and Invoice
No 26 of twenty (20) boxes deposit Gold net value, One
million & forty eight thousand, five hundred & ninety two
(1,048,592⁰⁰/₁₀₀) dollars, payable in Double Eagles.

Very respectfully

Hon James Pollock

Supt. Mint of the U.S.

Philadelphia, Penn.

Thos L. Netter

Supt.

✓

A-3127-V-1-18/5,

New York

Decr 23/5

Assay Office U.S.

Transmits & Receipting
No 26 of 20 bars dep
of gold net value
1,048.592.00.

Recd Dec 24, 18/5

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Decr 23^d, 1875.

Sir:

I have this day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of thirty seven thousand three hundred and thirty $\frac{63}{100}$ dollars payable in 30.724.80 of pure silver to be transferred from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office New York to that of your Mint.

Very respectfully

A. H. Anderson

Director

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

W. H. K.

Dec. 23/75

\$37,330 ⁶³/₁₀₀ in
30,724.80 oz fine
silver to be transferred to
the Mint Bullion Fund
from N.Y. Assay Office.

Rec Dec 24/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

December, 27, 1875.

Sir,

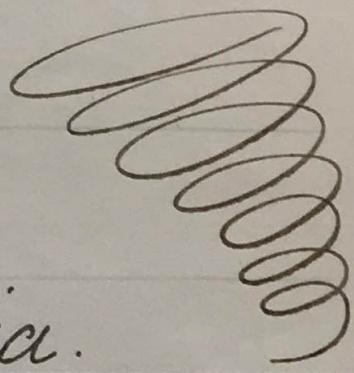
The appointment of D. M. Evans
as Assistant in the Deposit room,
General Department of your Mint,
at a compensation of \$3.⁰⁰ per diem,
submitted in your communication
of the 24th inst. is hereby approved
to take effect from the 3rd proximo.

Very respectfully,

H. R. Anderson

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



H. M.

Dec. 27/75

copy apt of
H. M. Evans as
asst in the Report
room, from July 3/76,
at \$3. per diem.

Recommendations
of Col. Evans
filed herein.

Rec Dec 28/75

All Official Letters to the Treasurer's Office must be addressed to the "Treasurer of the U. S.," and in replying to Letters from the "Treasurer's Office," the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

J.P.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Dec. 27, 1875.

Sir:

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant, in reply to mine of the 22nd, in relation to the forwarding of cancelled Transfer Orders.

Treasurers' Transfer Orders, for the transfer of funds to or from the Mints and Assay Offices, the Treasury, Sub-treasuries, and Depositories, of the U. S., are charged to him by the officer paying the same, and should be inclosed with the transcript of Account-current in which they are entered, for checking and verification: I will thank you, therefore, to forward the same weekly, as previously requested.

Very respectfully,

Hon. Jas. Pollock,

Sup. Mint U.S.

Philadelphia, Pa.

Wm. B. Ewing.

Treasurer U. S.

Trans. U. S.
(Pro. of New)
Washington
Dec. 27/78

Directing that
cancelled Transfer
Order be forwarded
to him, weekly.

Per Dec 28/78

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Decr 28th, 1875.

Sir;

I have this day requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of \$108853.53. payable in 98,075.08 of Standard Silver to be transferred from the bullion fund of the US Assay Office at New York to that of your Mint.

Very respectfully

A. A. Linderman

Director

Hon James Pollock
Fifth Mint of the US
Philadelphia

H. M.

Dec. 28/75

98,075.08 ozs
~~fine silver~~
Standard silver

to be transferred
to the B. T. of the
Mint from the
B. T. of the N.
Y. Assay Office

Recd Dec 29/75

Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Dec 28th 1875

Hon James Colver
Supt.

Dear Sir

By your instructions we have inquired closely into the difficulty in regard to deposit of Minor Coin No 59, from the Asst Treas of the U. S. at Boston and find upon reexamination & recount that the deficiency in the 2^d Bronze was due to a Misapprehension of the Counter who rejected 84¢ of this denomination on account of its mutilated & unrecognizable condition.

In reference to the excess of 39¢ in the old Copper, we would explain that they were found mixed with the 1¢ Nickel & 1¢ Bronze; these two latter denominations being mingled together promiscuously contrary to the regulations of the Department & causing unusual trouble & difficulty in the

Geo A Davis, R.C.
J. L. Knight, Cash

Mint of the United States,
PHILADELPHIA.

Dec 28. 1875

~~JAMES POLLOCK,~~

Superintendent.

Subject The difficulty in
regard to deposits
of minor coin No.
591 from the Cash
Great U.S. Boston.

No. of Enclosures,.....

Selection & Count, J. L. Knight
Very Respectfully

Geo. A. Davis R.C.

J. L. Knight Cash

Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

Boston, Mass., Dec 24th, 1875.

Private

Sir:

I am this day in receipt of your letter of 22^d inst relative to the minor coins. Having been annoyed at previous returns regarding minor coins, I took most extraordinary measures to be absolutely certain of the accuracy of the \$1208.

The old coppers - \$208 (which, on account of their various degrees of wear, it is impossible to verify by weight) were counted here three times with the utmost care.

The nickel & bronze one cent pieces \$480 were not only recounted by two different counters but were verified by the counting-board under the supervision of two clerks.

The two cent bronze pieces, \$46, were twice recounted and I enclose herewith the affidavit of their counter. I can also furnish affidavits under oath relative to all the minor coins (\$1208) delivered to the Express on the 13th inst.

It appears therefore, my dear Sir, that unless there has been some carelessness or accident in the

Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

BOSTON, MASS.,

, 187 .

U. S. Assistant Treasurer.

No. of Enclosures,

examination of these coins at your office, that after the coins left this office and prior to their examination by your counters, one $\frac{31}{100}$ dollars were abstracted from the one and two cent pieces - and, apparently to divert attention, 39 cents were added to the large coppers. The latter act may furnish some clue to the individual. I note your remark relative to the good condition in which the boxes were delivered by Adams Express.

Feeling it my duty to be thus explicit in statement

I am With great personal regard
& Esteem

Yours very truly
F. Haven
Asst Treas

Hon James Pollock,
Supt U. S. Mint,
Phil^a.

Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

Boston, Mass., _____, 187 .

I hereby certify that the \$46. in two cent pieces delivered to the Adams Express Co, Dec 13, 1875, were counted by me three times, and that on each count, I found two thousand three hundred (2300) pieces of .2^c each.

Wm S Sargent.

Asst. Coin Clerk.

Boston December 24, 1875

Then personally appeared the above named William S. Sargent and made oath to the truth of the foregoing

Before me

A. J. Hastings
Justice of the Peace

Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

BOSTON, MASS.,

Private

Dec. 29, 1875

F. H. Hump

U. S. Assistant Treasurer.

Deficiency of \$44
in Redeemed Minor
Coins

[Explanation of
Counts filed herewith]

No. of Enclosures, 1

Recd Dec 30/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Decr 28th, 1875.

Sir:

Your letter of the 27th instant enclosing Certificate of deposit for \$7,229⁸⁸ being the unexpended balance of the appropriation for annealing furnaces is received.

Very respectfully
H. Linderman

Director

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

D. W.

Dec. 28/75

Ackg recd of C/D
for \$7,229 88 bal
of appd for annealing
furnace.

Recd Dec 29/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Dec. 28, 1875.

Sir
I have to request that you furnish this Office by the 10th of January next, a statement showing the number of pieces and value of each denomination of Gold and Silver coins reserved at your Mint during the Year 1875, for the Annual Assay.

The statement should show the reserved coins for each month.

Very respectfully

H. R. Linderman

Director

Hon. James Pollock

Supt. Mint U.S.

Phila^a

H. M.

Dec. 28/75

Wants by Jan'y 10/76
Monthly list of assy
Crims for 1875, and
the values.

Rec'd Dec 29/75

Philadelphia, Dec 28 1875



M. U. S. Mint

BOUGHT OF

HENRY TROMMER

MANUFACTURER OF SCALES & WEIGHTS
710 MARKET ST.

One Set Wt 5 lbs to 400 g

\$ 6.50

*Recd Payment
Henry Trommer*

*Triplicate
Receipt*

H. Troemner
Phila.

28 Dec 1875

Triplicate receipt
Set of weights
\$6⁵⁰

Rec'd Dec 28?
1875

Mint Copy

U. S. Assay Office at N. Y. Dec^r 28. 1875th

Sixth Shipment (final) Fine Silver, balance due the Mint
on 1/2 second purchase Doré Silver at San Francisco.

Numbers	Bars	Gross Weight			Fine	Stand ^d Weight			@ 1000 $\frac{H}{L}$			Value of Pure Silver		
		oz.	dec			oz.	dec		Pure Silver	oz.	dec	@ 12 1/2 pr oz. G. C.	\$	c
599	1141	3	4390	60	996 1/2	4861	37		✓ 4375	23				
697	1142	3	4497	40	997 1/2	4984	62		✓ 4486	16				
674@76-713-15	1143	104	21432	55	998	23766	31		✓ 21389	68				
727	1144	4	474	44	998 1/2	526	36		✓ 473	73				
	114	30	794	99		34138	66		30724	80		37330	63	

Recapitulation

		Gross Weight			Stand ^d Weight			@ 1000 $\frac{H}{L}$			Value of Pure Silver		
		oz.	dec		oz.	dec		Pure Silver	oz.	dec	@ 12 1/2 pr oz. G. C.	\$	c
1 st Shipment	Fine Silver	240	844	20	311	456	63	280	310	97	340	577	83
2 nd "	— DO —	62	305	35	69	010	27	62	109	24	75	462	73
3 rd "	— DO —	104	570	70	115	962	78	104	366	50	126	805	30
4 th "	Stand ^d Silver	110	099	12	112	010	54	100	809	48	122	483	52
5 th "	— DO —	105	704	67	107	658	73	96	892	86	117	724	82
6 th "	Fine Silver	30	794	99	34	138	66	30	724	80	37	330	63
		654	319	03	750	237	61	675	213	85	820	384	83

Closing the $\frac{1}{2}$ between this Office and the Mint for the 2nd
purchase of Doré Silver at San Francisco.

12/29/75

Silver
Transfer

J.P.
All Official Letters to the Treasurer's Office must be addressed to the "Treasurer of the U. S.," and in replying to Letters from the Treasurer's Office, the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Dec. 29, 1876.

Sir:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Transfer Order No. 4066, dated this day, on the Supt. of the U. S. Assay-Office, New York, for \$2,000. in fine silver, payable to your order.

This order is issued to correct an error in the value of 99,129 ¹⁵/₁₀₀ ounces fine silver received by you on T.O. No 4050 - that order stating the amount as \$115,517.60 when it should have been \$117,517.60.

I will thank you to endorse the Order in due form and credit the amount in Bullion Fund Account.

Very respectfully,

W. M. May
Treasurer U. S.

Hon. Jas. Pollock,
Supt. Mint U. S.,
Philadelphia, Pa. }

Recd U.S. 1554

(Wynman)

Washington

Dec 29/76

Enclorig J. O. #4066
on assay office - N.Y.
for 2nd fine silver
to make good de-
ficiency in J. O.
No. 4050. —

Recd Dec 30/76

Post Office

Louisville, Ky.
Dec 29. 1875

Supt U.S. Mint
Philad^a. Pa.

Dear Sir:

I desire to send to
you a quantity of copper and nickel coins,
for redemption - Is it not possible
for me to procure of you about two tightly
bound casks, or boxes, for use in transport-
ing these coins? Some time ago, the
Supt of the U.S. Depositary here, shipped
a lot of these coins to you in iron bound
kegs - If you have any of them on hand, I
would be glad to have you send them to your
postmaster, addressed to me -

Very respectfully
D. M. Porter

P. 3128-V-1-18/5.

Louisville, Ky
Dec 29, 18/5,

L. M. Porter

P. M.

States that he desires
to make shipment of
Merrimack to Mint
for Redemption & wants
Mint to furnish casks
for that purpose.

Recd Dec 31, 18/5

Treasury of the United States,

Washington,

Dec. 30th, 1875.

Sir:

Herewith I have the honor to transmit Draft No. 8329
on Treasury, Warrant No. 2730, for \$ 43. 90
payable to the order of R. A. McClure,

Very respectfully,

Recd the above Draft
Dec. 31. 1875

R A McClure

Super. W. S. West,

Philadelphia,

Pa.

J. A. Andrew,

Treasurer U. S.

Head. U. S.
(Prob. New)

Washington 126

Dec. 30/75

Transmitting draft
#4390 R. A. M. Glare,
Cabinet Coins.

Rec'd Dec 31/75

Mind Copy

U.S. Assay Office at N.Y. Dec 30th 1875

Invoice of Standard Silver transmitted to the Mint of the U.S. at Philadelphia on Transfer Order, pursuant to instructions from the Director of the Mint of Nov^r 4th 1875.

Description	Mkts	Bars	Gross Weight		Fineness	Standard Weight		Value @ 110 99/100 per lb.	
			oz.	dec		oz.	dec	\$	¢
Special Melt	1145	74	3		4351 45	920	1	4448	15
— do —	6	5	3		4396 85	919 1/2	1	4492	11
— do —	7	6	3		4259 40	922	1	4363	52
— do —	8	7	3		4491 40	921 1/2	1	4598	69
— do —	9	8	3		4434 50	920 1/2	1	4535	51
— do —	1150	9	3		4249 60	921	1	4348	76
— do —	1	80	3		4416 45	921	1	4519	50
— do —	2	1	3		4422 35	919	1	4515	71
* — do —	3	2	3		4521 35	923	1	4636	89
— do —	4	3	3		4492 20	920	1	4592	03
— do —	5	4	3		4468 80	920 1/2	1	4570	59
— do —	6	5	3		4653 50	919 1/2	1	4754	33
— do —	7	6	3		4284 35	923	1	4393	84
— do —	8	7	3		4203 10	922 1/2	1	4308	18
— do —	9	8	3		4292 95	923	1	4402	66
— do —	1160	9	3		4177 75	920	1	4270	59
— do —	1	91	3		4273 10	921 1/2	1	4375	18
— do —	2	2	3		4268 15	922	1	4372	48
— do —	3	3	3		4154 00	920 1/2	1	4248	62
— do —	4	4	3		4406 25	920 1/2	1	4506	61
— do —	5	5	3		4363 85	919	1	4455	98
— do —	6	6	3		4322 95	919	1	4414	21
			66		95904 30			98124	14
Less allowance for "impurities or unavoidable loss" under Regulations May 1. 73.					4795	920 3/4		4906	
					95856 35			98075 08	108 853 53
					13 007 7			13 503 78	

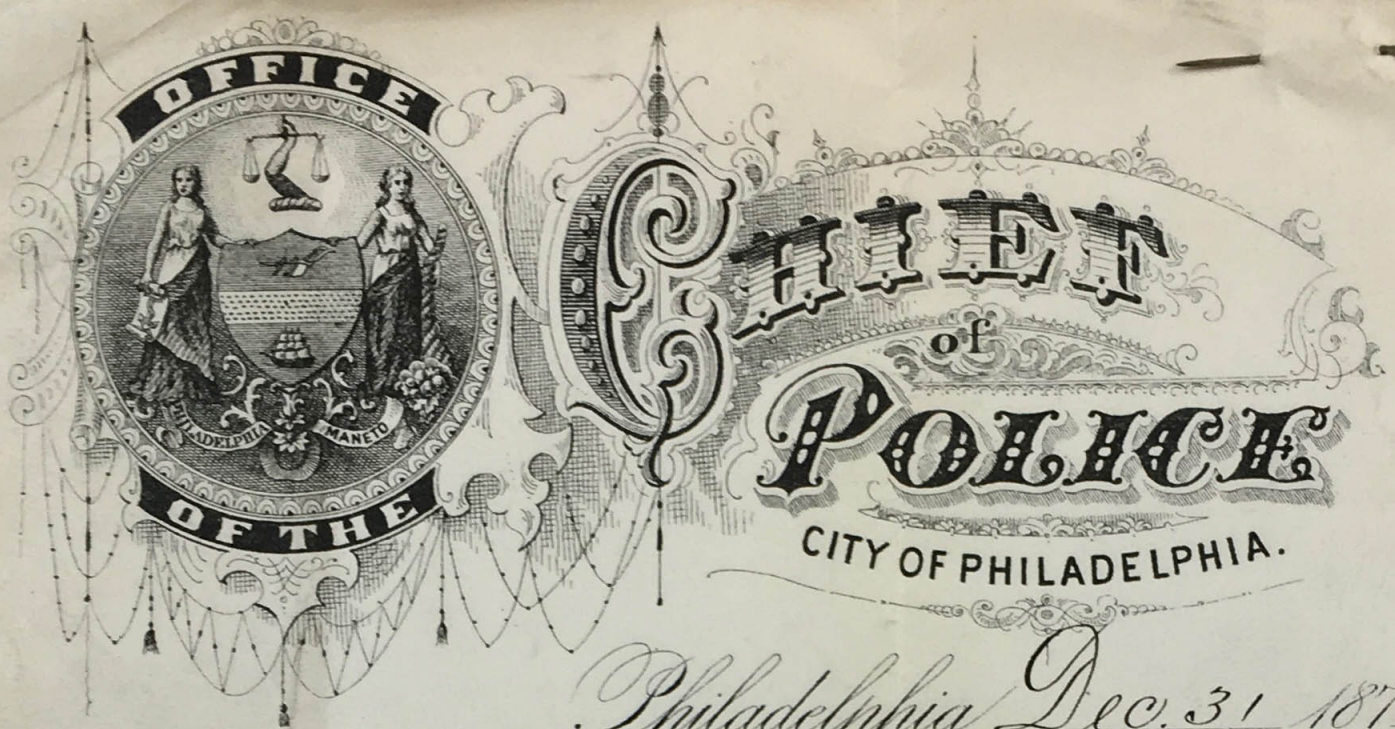
2915.5
2565
350

Covered by Transfer Order #3272 dated Dec. 29th 1875.
82,848.66 84,771.30

- Silver

12/20/75

Franklin



Philadelphia Dec. 31 1875

Hon. James Pollock
Director U. S. Mint

Dear Sir

For some
time past, there have been a series
of robberies of silverware committed
in this City, and we have infor-
mation that these articles have been
disposed of to jewellers and dealers
who melted it up, and then took
it to the mint. If you will be
kind enough to furnish us with
the names of parties who sell old
or melted silver, you will confer
a favor, and materially aid



Philadelphia _____ 187

the cause of justice

Yours very Resp'y
H H Jones
Chief of Police.

W. C. Gray	12 th ab market
W. H. Lee	2 nd below Chest
Thos R Lee	" " "

A. K. Jones
Chief of Police
Philadelphia
31 Dec 1875

Inquiring names of
persons depositing old
silverware or melted silver.

Recd 31 Dec 1875,

J. Parkhurst & Co. Bankers

Elkland, Pa. Dec 31 1875

Director of U.S. Mint
at Philadelphia.

Dear Sir:-

We sent you Dec 7th last
for assay, a small quantity of Argent-
um, Galena ore by Express.

Please write us if it was rec^d,
and about what time we may look
for the certificate of assay we wished.

We will forward the charges for
the Certif. at once, if you wish.

Yours respy

J. Parkhurst & Co

P.S. We hope as soon as possible
you will forward the Certif.

J. P. & Co

⁴
J. Parkhurst & Co
Glebe
Pa

Dec 31, 1876

In reference to
one sink for
assay.

Recd 3 Jan 76

Dec 31st 1875.

To the Officers of
the U. S. Mint,

Gentlemen;

With
thanks for your kindness
I have the honor to resign
my position as employee in
the Adjusting Room of the
U. S. Mint. To take effect
from the 1st prox.

Very respectfully

M. V. Johnson

Mr James Pollock

Superintendent.

Mr A. L. Snowden Chief Coiner,
of the U. S. Mint at Phila.

Mrs M. V. Johnson
Coiner's Dept.

31 Dec 1875

Tendering
Resignation

to take effect
1 Jan 76

Recd 31 Dec 75

Custom House, Rochester, N. Y.,

Collector's Office,

Dec 31st, 1874

Sir

In answer to yours of the 28th inst
I hereby acknowledge the receipt
of Certificate of deposit No 69, in
duplicate from the Asst US Treasurer
Phila for three hundred & ninety seven
& $\frac{21}{100}$ dollars (\$397 $\frac{21}{100}$) net & proceeds of
Four hundred & One dollar (\$401) light gold
forwarded to US Mint Dec 22nd 1874
for redemption

I am very respectfully
Yours
Wm Dany
Collector

Jas Pollock Esq
Asst US Mint
Philadelphia

Custom House, Collector's Office,
ROCHESTER, N. Y.,

Dec. 31, 1874

J. M. Dany
Collector.

ack' rect of C/D
for \$397.²¹ gold coin,
(recoinage)

No. of Enclosures, —

Rec'd Jan 4/75

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Decr 31st, 1875.

Sir;

Your letter of the 30th instant
enclosing certificate of deposit
for \$4.50 on account of sale of
old materials is received.

Very respectfully
W. B. Davis

Acting Director

Hon James Pollock
Dep't Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

Blk.

Dec 31/75

Recd Lof \$4.50
old materials
sold.

Recd Jan 1/76

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1875/DECEMBER (CONT.)

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1876 / JANUARY (CONT.)

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 17 1876.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in Subsidiary Silver Coin to be transferred from the Bullion Fund of your Mint to the Treasurer of the U.S. the charges for transportation to be paid from Silver Profit Fund.

Very respectfully

A. B. Underman

Director

Hon James Pollock
U.S. Mint
Philadelphia

D.M.

January 17/76

\$100,000. in
Sutg Silver Coin. to
be transferred to
the Treas. U. S.

Recd Jan 18/76



OFFICE OF
THOMAS WARNER,
Manufacturer & Wholesale dealer in
Pine & Hemlock Lumber,
Lath, Shingles, &c.

Cohocton, Steuben Co. N.Y. July 17th 1876

James Pollock Esq.

Superintendent

Sofia

I enclose you herewith 3
Medals which I wish to donate
to the mint collection.

They were struck for distribution
at the golden wedding of my parents
to the relatives & friends present—

Pleased acknowledge & oblige.

Respectfully

Thomas Warner.

Thos Warner ^{185.}
Brooklyn
N.Y.
Feb 17. 1876

Send 3 medals
to the Mint as a
donation.

Recd Feb 19. 1876

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Jan. 17, 1876.

Sir

I received Your letter of the 14th inst.,
Enclosing report of W. G. Pike, Inspector
of the Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection
and Insurance Company, in relation to the
Condition of the two Eastern boilers of the
Set.

I think it is clearly apparent that
the Night Engineer (Hawkins) is not a
Competent person to take charge of the
boilers during the absence of the Engineer
or Assistant Engineer. You will
therefore employ a competent person

2
to take his place. Hawkins may be assigned to any other duty you may think proper, and for which he may be qualified.

A comprehensive set of instructions, printed on a card, and hung up in the vicinity of the boilers, should be prepared for the government of the Engineer, his Assistant, and all persons employed at the boilers.

While I do not think it necessary to place the Engineer under the control of the Comr, in the sense of having the nomination of the Engineer and his force made by that Officer, yet it would, I think, be better for him to receive

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his orders from the Corner, the principal
use of the ~~Motive~~ power being in that
Officer's Department.

When you shall have
prepared the regulations, I will thank
you to submit them to this Office, it
being my desire to put in force an
efficient system for the government of
the Engineers at all the Mints.

The present Engineer
was once removed for intemperate
habits, and once suspended for
similar cause. While I would
do nothing to discourage a man
who has reformed from intemperate

4.
habits, the position is entirely too responsible to be filled by one who is not both thoroughly competent, and of perfectly sober habits.

In 1867, when the engine and machinery was thoroughly overhauled and repaired, and after consultation with the late Franklin Peale, and a Mr. Sellers, my impression was, that Mr. Liepatnick's qualifications as an Engineer were considered quite ordinary. In this however, I may have been mistaken. My purpose in referring to the matter is, that you may give it my careful

Consideration, especially as the responsibility rests directly with You.

The collection of so much scale in the boilers would appear to indicate, that they have not been cleaned often enough, or that the cleaning was imperfectly performed.

Very respectfully
H. R. Schneiderman

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint &c.

Philadelphia

63
D.M.

January 17/76

On relation to the
Mint Boilers and
Engineers. Request
Rules & Regulations
to be prepared.

Recd Jan'y 18/76

Custom House, Wilmington, N. C.,

Collector's Office,

Jan 17, 1876

James Pollock Esq
Capt N. L. Mintz
Phil. Paun.

Sir: I forwarded to the Mint, to day,
for express, for insurance, the follow-
ing light gold coin, the value of
which, when ascertained, you will
please deposit to the credit of the
Treasury A. S., with the best.
Treasury A. S., at Philadelphia in
accord of Duties on Imports.

1x \$20.	-	\$20.
1x \$10.	-	10.
5x \$5.	-	25.
3x \$2½	-	7.50
6x \$1	-	6.
	Total	\$68.50

Very respectfully
Joseph C. Abbott C. A.
per R. W. Chadwick, Clerk

Custom House, Collector's Office,
WILMINGTON, N. C.,

Jan 17, 1876
Joseph C. Hobbs
Collector.

For many light
gold coin for
Mourage \$68.50

No. of Enclosures, _____

Recd Jan 19/76

Custom House -

Canaan -

Vermont -

1874

No. 18. TRE



Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January, 18, 1876.

Sir,

I will thank you to furnish
a receipt for the payment of
\$426,921.¹² G. C. for the purchase
of 344,985.⁶³ ounces of Silver
Bullion from Messrs. Drueel,
Morgan & Co., as taken up in
your Bullion Accounts for the
Second Quarter, 1875.

Very respectfully,

A. A. Lawrence

Hon. James Pollock, Director.
Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

H. M.

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January 18/76.

Wants recd for
payt made to
Drexel Morgan & Co
for Silver Bullion
bought.

Re Jan 19/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 18, 1876.

Sir,

You will please furnish at your earliest possible convenience a Warrant authorizing Minor Coinage Profit ^{and} Loss Account to be debited with the sum of \$7,081.⁹⁷, the same being the Minor Coinage Wastage for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1875.

Very respectfully,

A. B. Linderman

Hon. James Pollock, ² Director.
Supr. Phila. Mint. ³

D. M. 64

January 1876

Want, Want
for Minn for a
Wantage for
f. y. 1874-75.

Recd for 19 176

Purmt U. S. Coin,
forwarded by Treasurer U. S.

Weight 5.08 ozs.
Fineness 901.

N.E.D
Jan'y 20.

For the Supdt.
Silver handed herewith.

Value in half dol.
say at 1.10 per oz. 5.60

Wm. E. DuRoi

Report on lot
front silver sent
to mint by post
Recd U. S. Washington

Recd 20 Jan 76.

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Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Jan'y 18, 1876.

J.B.

Sir:-

I forward, this day by Adams Express Co. \$6.⁵⁰ Silver Coin, damaged by being subjected to heat in a burning house belonging to an old darkey woman, for remittance of value in Silver Coin.

Very Respectfully
Wm. M. Tynan,
Asst. Treas. U.S.

Hon James Pollock,
Superintendent,
U.S. Mint,
Philad'a.

San A. N. Wymore
Ant near US
Washington DC
Jan 18/76

Forwards for exchange
\$6.50 Silver coin
damaged by fire -
for an old colored woman

Assays Mem.
Jan 20, filed herein.
value \$5⁶⁰/₁₀₀.

Recd Jan 19/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Aug. 18, 1876.

Sir

I have yours of yesterday
enclosing \$11.25 in Gold and
25 c. in silver, the same being
the value of a counterfeit
doubloon assayed at your Mint.

Very respectfully

A. R. Linderman

Director

Am. James Pollock

Supt. Mint U.S.

Philadelphia

65
H. W.

Jan 18/76

Acc'd acct of
\$11.50 coin net
Value of Counterfeit
Spanish Doubloons
assayed at the
mint.

Rec'd Jan 19/76

Nathan Trotter & Co.

Importers of Tin plates, Metals &c.

No. 36 North Front Street.

Philadelphia 7/18 1878

Hon^d Jas Pollock Esq^r
Dear Sir,

Your order
for Tin plates
has been
filled & is
being
forwarded
by the
15th. The delay

in sending you
nos 1 & 2. I have
been over inability
to get the letter
from the New
York Co. We
have been several
times for it
and are
promised that
shall have it
today - There
is delay shall
occur in letting
you know the
results of our

71
Nathan Frothingham & Co.
July 18/76

Forwarded 5 tons
Ginc to San Francisco
Went, July 15. 1876

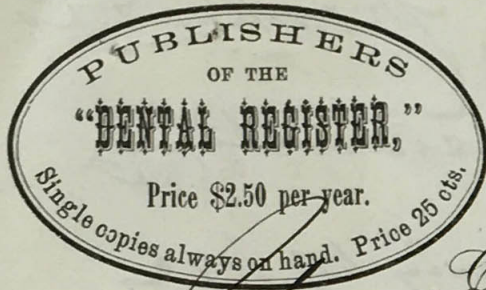
Recd July 19/76

Correspondents will please write the
name of TOWN and STATE plainly.

SPENCER, CROCKER & CO.

Ohio Dental Depot,

168 Race Street,



Cincinnati Aug 19 1876

DR.

Gold Metal

Phila "Pa"

Dear Sir:—

Enclose find
sample of Gold Leaf
Please inform us what
it is worth per oz by
return mail

And oblige

Spencer Crocker & Co

75-
Spencer, Proctor & Co
Cincinnati, O.

Jan'y 19/76

Enclos'g Sample of
Gold Leaf for assay

Per Jay 20/76

No. 100

MEMORANDUM of GOLD BULLION deposited at the MINT of the UNITED STATES

at Philadelphia, the 25th day of January 1876, by James Pollock Supt.

NOTE.—This Memorandum is for the information of the Depositor, and is of no other Value.

DESCRIPTION OF BULLION	WEIGHT				FINENESS		VALUE OF THE GOLD		SILVER PARTED FROM THE GOLD			DEDUCTIONS		NET VALUE	
	BEFORE MELTING		AFTER MELTING		1,000th		Dollars	Cts.	FINENESS	Value		For Parting, Coinage and Fine Bars		Dollars	Cts.
	Ounces	Dec.	Ounces	Dec.						1,000th.	Dollars	Cts.	Dollars		
U. S. Coin		157	157		898		29	15						29	15
Collector															
Burlington Ct															

Sale value
\$30

I Certify that the net amount of the above Deposit is _____ hundred and Twenty nine ¹⁵ Dollars.
 Payable at the Mint, only on presentation of the receipt of a corresponding date and number heretofore issued.

Gold Coin \$ 29.15
 Gold Bars \$
 Silver Coin \$
 Silver Bars \$

JAMES POLLOCK,
 Superintendent of the Mint.

By

C. B. Jones

District of Vermont,
Island Pond Custom House, January 19th, 1876.

The Superintendent of the Mint
Philadelphia Pa.

Sir,

I beg to
hand you with this one double eagle
and one eagle, which have been returned
to me by the Assistant Treasurer U. S. at
Boston, as being reduced in weight
below the standard provided in Section
3505 of the revised statutes

The double eagle was returned
long ago before we were furnished
with the means of weighing coins, but
was so cut as to prevent its circulation,

The eagle is by the "Troemner"
balance furnished us, not more than the
one.

District of Vermont,

CUSTOM HOUSE,

....., 187 .

.....
Collector.

No. of Enclosures,

District of Vermont,

Custom House, _____, 187 .

one half of one per centum light.

Will you, if your rules admit- of so small a deposit, kindly send me a certificate of deposit- for the value of these coins, to the credit of William Wells Collector of Customs Burlington Vt. and if not please return them to me by registered mail giving the weight- and value of each piece

Very respectfully

Your obedient servant

Edward T. Lee

Deputy Collector

93
District of Vermont, *Hand*

Pro CUSTOM HOUSE,

January 19, 1876

Edward P. Lee
Deputy Collector.

Forward + 30. lybr
gold coin for securities

(C/O + 29.15, mailed
Feb 23/76.)

No. of Enclosures, *(*

Recd January 25/76.

(Copy)

Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer

Boston, Mass. January 19th 1876

Sir:

I am in receipt of your letter of 17th. inst. relative to item charged in Transcript Dec. 10th 1875, minor coins forwarded to the U. S. Mint \$1.208.5 and requesting me to credit you with 92 cents short in said remittance.

I have respectfully to state that \$1.208. were forwarded to U. S. Mint as follows:

Large Copper cents	\$ 208.
Nickel and Bronze "	480.
Two cent pieces	46.
Three " "	24.
Five " "	450. = \$1.208.

On Dec. 30th. the Supt. U. S. Mint sent me eighty-five cents currency in acknowledgement of error of 84 cents at his Office in the examination of the two cent pieces and complained that large copper cents were mixed with the nickel and bronze cents.

I returned to him the 85 cents frac. currency as the

the \$1.208. - were delivered in payment of a Transfer
Draft calling for that amount in minor coins, requested
that he would give me ~~xxx~~ proper credit in his
account with you and enclosed to him affidavits
of two clerks under oath, showing that no large
Copper cents were mixed with the nickel and bronze
cents, but were in separate bags when the minor
coins left this Office.

Very Respectfully
(signed) F. Haven Jr.
Asst. Treas. U.S.

Hon Jas. C. New
Treasurer U.S.
Washington, D.C.

A true copy, furnished for the information of
the Supt. U.S. Mint Philadelphia Pa.

M
Treasury U.S.
Washington D.C.
Jany. 21. 1876

Andrew
Treasurer U.S.

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J.P.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, January 21, 1876.

Sir:

I beg leave to call your attention to an item of difference in a remittance of minor coins from the office of the Asst. Treasurer at Boston to the Mint at Philadelphia, and enclose copy of a letter of the Asst. Treasurer in relation to the same.

In order to remove this item of difference from the accounts of this office, the Asst. Treasurer has been requested to credit me, in his account, with .08[¢] as "shortage" in "remittance of minor coins on Transfer Order No 3721," and, I will thank you to credit me in the Minor Coin Receipts, with .84[¢], additional transfer from the Asst. Treasurer at Boston, on the above-named account.

I have the honor to be, sir,

Yours very respectfully,

Hon. Jas. Pollock,

Sup't. Mint U.S. Philadelphia, Pa. }

J. M. McKim

Treasurer U.S.

83
Treas. U. S.
(No. 6. New)
Jan'y 21/76

Directing certain
credit to settle dis-
puted County re-
deemed minor
coins from Asst.
Treas. U.S. at Boston
Mass

Copy letter A.T. at Boston
to Treasr enclosed

Rec'd Jan'y 22/76

OFFICE OF
U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

New York, Jan 19, 1876.

Sir

Referring to circular "1874, Department of the Treasury of '18," a copy of which I enclose, which states that "Minor coins so mutilated that they cannot be identified, or materially reduced in value by clipping or otherwise, will not be exchanged or redeemed," I have to state that this office is in doubt as to the extent of mutilation or reduction in value by clipping or otherwise which will cause a piece to be not redeemable or exchangeable. With the view of establishing a standard by which we may be guided, I enclose herewith 50 cts in minor coins of different denominations, which vary in the degree of mutilation, and I will thank you to return the same

Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

** NEW YORK,*

..... *187* .

.....
Ass't Treasurer.

No. of Enclosures

OFFICE OF
U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

New York, _____, 187 .

to me, and to indicate which pieces
(or pieces similarly mutilated) will be
redeemed or exchanged by the Mint,
and which pieces will not be redeemed
or exchanged.

Very respectfully

W. Pittman
U. S. T. R.

Hon. James Pollock.

Supt. U. S. Mint.

Philadelphia.

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Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

NEW YORK,

Jan'y 19. 1876.

Thos. Hillhouse

Ass't Treasurer.

Enclosing sample
of mutilated silver
coins to know if any,
and to what of them,
are redeemable.

No. of Enclosures —

Recd Jan'y 20/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Jan. 20, 1876

Sir

Acknowledging Yours of
Yesterday relative to the stock
of copper on hand. You are
hereby authorized to advertise
for proposals for 10000 pounds,
as requested in your Com-
munication.

Very respectfully

H. Linderman

Hon. James Pollock

Director

Supt. Mint &c.

Philadelphia

D.M.

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January 21/76

Supt authorized
to advance ~~amount~~ for
10,000 lb Copper for
Mines Lining.

Recd Jan 22/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 21, 1876.

Sir,

I have received your communication of the 19th instant transmitting receipt of Messrs. Drexel & Co for \$426,921.¹⁴/₁₀₀, paid them for 374,985.⁶³/₁₀₀ Standard ounces of Silver Bullion purchased; also a Warrant of the Superintendent to the Melters & Refiners for the Minor Coinage Wastage for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1875.

The same have been refer-

red to the Accounting Officers
of the Department to be made
a part of your Bullion Accounts
for the Second Quarter. 1845.

Very respectfully.

A. B. Lumsden

Director.

Hon. James Pollock.
Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

[Signature]

Dell 77

Jan'y 21/76

Has rec'd Kroyel's
rest for many papers
Solun bot in London
Also manuscript for
Anna Leiniger Wartage.

Rec'd Jan'y 22/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Jan 21. , 1876.

Hon James Pollock, Supt. Mint. Phil^a
Sir.

Please afford Mr. Fred.
Cockfield, a clerk in this office,
^{of Philadelphia}
to familiarise himself with
the different processes, operations
and manipulations of the
Mint, and particularly
those connected with the
hardening & setting of dies
&c. Oblige Yours Very Resp.
H. R. Linderman
Director

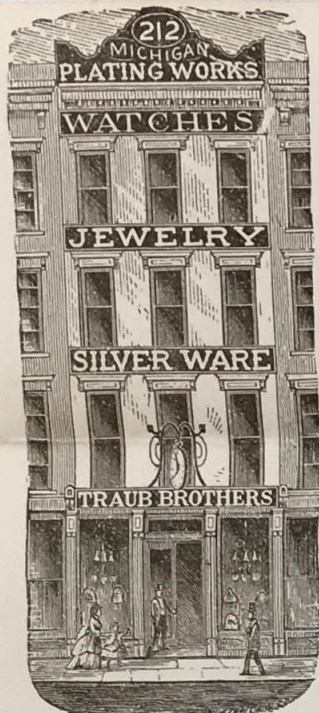
D. M.

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Jan'y 21/76

Requesting that Fred K.
Eckfeldt be afforded
facilities for studying
the operations of
the Mint.

Rec'd Jan'y 22/76



OFFICE OF

Traub Brothers,

Jewelers, Platers & Silversmiths

212 JEFFERSON AVENUE,

Detroit, Mich. *January 21st 1876*

United States Mint
New York City

Gentlemen

We have this day send
you by American Express 101 oz Silver, which please
Melt & Refine into Bars, and send us Returns in
Bar Silver. Your attention will much oblige

Yours Very Truly
Traub Brothers

Trout Brothers.
Detroit
Michigan
Jan'y 21. 1876

Forwards Silver
Bullion to be made
into Bars.

Rec'd Jan'y 24/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 21st, 1876.

Sir

Your letter of the 20th inst., transmitting Statements of Coiner's Gold and Silver Workings for December ultimo, is received.

In the Statement of Silver Workings, the Apparent loss is given as 259.10 ounces and Gain from rolling 239.50, leaving as an Actual loss but 19.60 ounces on 642,821 ounces operated upon.

This loss is about one eighth of the average amount of loss for the preceding months of the year, and the gain from rolling is proportionally large.

I will thank you to cause me to be furnished with an explanation of what constitutes this "gain from rolling".

Your Mint is the only one which exhibits such a gain, the others showing a loss.

Very respectfully
W. H. L. G.

Abrahamson

Director

Hon. Jas. Pollock

Supt. Minst. Aff.

Philadelphia.

D.M.

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January 21. 1876.

Wants Explanation
of Leominster's loss in
Silver Workings for
December, 1875.

Recd Jan'y 22/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Jan. 21st, 1876.

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint of Philadelphia
Sir

The President has designated the following named gentlemen as Commissioners to the Annual Assay, which takes place at your Mint on the 9th day of February next.

Prof. R. C. Rogers. University of Pennsylvania

\$50 Prof. F. A. P. Barnard, Columbia College, New York

no hen Prof. J. E. Hilgard, Washington D.C.

\$50 Prof. W. R. Chandler, Lehigh University, Pa

+ Hon. Morton McMichael, Philad^a Pa

\$50. John Sherman Jr. Washington D.C.

\$50 Prof. J. R. McClintock Pittsburg Pa

Prof. W. F. Blake, New Haven, Conn.

+ ~~Dr. J. S. Bell~~ ~~Pittsburg, Pa~~

E. B. Elliott Washington D.C.

Very respectfully

H. B. Linsman

Director

+ Feb 4/76, Prof. Robert Peter, of Lexington, Ky,
app'd, vica Dr. J. S. Bell, declined.

x Joseph Wharton, Phil -

Date 78
January 21/76

*Announcing
appt of the Assay
Commissioner.*

Recd Jan'y 22/76

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't, } NEW YORK.
A. R. BREWER, Sec'y, }

Dated *15 Washington Jan 22* 187*6*

Received at S. E. cor. 3d and Chestnut Sts., Philadelphia. *1102*

To *Supt Mint*

Phila

*San Francisco wants thirty six
obverse and reverse dime
dies immediately if you
have any ready send them
today letters by mail*

*M. V. Davis
Acty Director*

29 Collier

Govt

CONTINENTAL HOTEL,
CORNER NINTH & CHESTNUT STREETS.

132
a D. M.

Jan'y 22/76

(Telegram)

Adm 36 obverse
and reverse dimes
immediately to
Mint at San Fran-
-cis Co.

Re Jg 22/76

Treasury of the United States,

No.

Washington, Jan. 22nd, 1876.

Sir:

Herewith I have the honor to transmit Draft No. 8407
 on Treasury, Warrant No. 118, for \$32,400.⁰⁰
 payable to the order of yourself,
 and accountable for under the following appropriations, viz:

70 Sal. M. M. U. S. Phila.

3 400 —

Wages &c do

21 000 —

Cont. Expo. do

8 000 —

32 400 —

Very respectfully,

J. A. Andrew,

Treasurer U. S.

James Pollock, Sup. U. S. Mint
 Philadelphia,
 Pa.

(This letter of advice is to be forwarded to the Disbursing Officer or Agent.)

Cashier,

, 1876

Credited as directed, Jan. 24

Treasurer U. S.
(Prof. New)
Washington D.C.
Jan'y 22/76

Forwarding draft for
\$32,400. Mint app'p
for Jan'y, 1876.

Credited by Cashier.

Rec'd Jan'y 24/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 22, 1876.

Sir:

Yours of the 20th instant enclosing
Certificate of Deposit for \$1591.97 in coin
is received.

Very respectfully
W. B. Davis
Director

Hon James Rollock
Supt Mint of the U S
Philadelphia

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A. D. W.

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Jan'y 22/76

C/S for \$1,591.97 coin
received.

Rec'd Jan'y 24/76

Custom House, Wilmington, N. C.,

Collector's Office, *Jan. 24th*, 1876.

James Pollock Esq
Supt. U. S. Mint
Philadelphia
Pa.

Sir: I have this day rec^d with your
letter of the 22nd inst. *Cof D #91* signed
by the Asst Treasurer N. S. at Philadelphia
under date of *Jan'y 22. 1876* for the sum
of *Sixty eight* ^{*09*} ~~*100*~~ *dollars* (*\$68⁰⁹*) in Coin,
being the net proceeds of the recorage
of *\$68³⁰* light gold Coin forwarded by me
to the Mint on the 17th instant.

Very respectfully
Joseph C. Adcock
per R. W. Chadwick by C. M.

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Custom House, Collector's Office,
WILMINGTON, N. C.,

Jan 24, 1876
Joseph C. Albion
Collector.

Acknowledges
Receipt of Crpd
#91 for \$68.09
light gold re coined.

No. of Enclosures,

Recd Jan 27/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 24, 1876.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of \$100,000 in Subsidiary Silver Coin to be transferred from the bullion fund of your Mint to the Treasurer of the United States. The charges for transportation to be paid by you from Silver Profit Fund.

Very respectfully,
W. B. Davis

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

Director

a D.W.

91

July 24/76

\$100,000. Auto silver
to be transferred
to the Treas. U. S.

Recd July 25/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 24, 1876.

Sir,

I return herewith for
the signature of the Assayer
Certificates of Gold Deposits
Nos. 1052 ^{and} 1053, belonging
to your Bullion Accounts
for the Third Quarter, 1875.

Very respectfully.

W. B. Davis

Acting Director.

Hon Jas. Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

A.D. Mc

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Jan 24/76

Returning 2 Gold
Certificates for Assays
Signature

Recd Jan 25/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 24, 1876.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause a transfer to be made from the bullion fund of the U.S. Assay Office to that of your Mint of \$125,414.63. payable in 103,040.64 of fine silver bars.

Very respectfully

W. B. Davis

Acting Director

Hon James Pollock
Chief Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia
Pa

B. H. H.

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Jan'y 24/76

103,040.64 ozs.
fine Silver Bars,
val. \$125,414.53 to be
transferred from the
Bullion Fund of the
N.Y. Assay Office to
the B. F. of the Mint.

Rec'd Jan'y 25/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 25, 1876.

Sir,

The appointment of Mr. Geo. A. Grier as Asst. Engineer in the General Department of your Mint at a compensation of \$4.⁵⁰/₁₀₀ per diem, submitted in your communication of the 24th inst. is hereby approved to take effect from the 1st prox.

Very respectfully,
W. B. Davis

Hon James Pollock. } Acting Director.
Supt. Phila. Mint. }

A. D. M.

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January 25/76

App'g app't of
John A. Grier, as Asst
Engineer from Feb 1, 1876,
@ \$4⁵⁰ per diem.

Rec'd Jan 26/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 26, 1876.

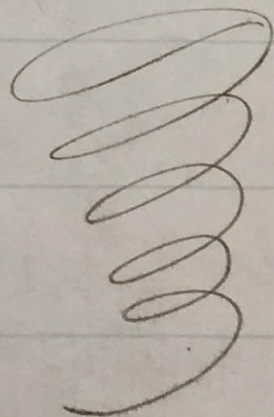
Sir,

You will please forward
Assayer's Reports of the Bars
received from the Mint U.S. at
Carson City during the Third
Quarter. 1875.

Very respectfully,
W. B. Davis

Acting Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



A. D. M.

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January 26/76

Wants Assayer's
Report of Laramie Bars
3rd Quarter 1875.

Recd Jan 27/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 26, 1876.

Sir,

You will please forward a Warrant authorizing "Profit & Loss" to be debited and "Gold Bullion" credited with the sum of \$1,768.³², the same being the loss on Sweeps sold during the Third Quarter, 1875; also, a Warrant for the sum of \$263.⁸¹, loss on Silver Sweeps for the same period.

Very respectfully,

Wm. D. Davis
Acting Director.
Hon. Jas. Pollock. 2
Supt. Phila Mint. 3

a D. W. 96
January 26/76

Wants profit a lot &
sweep warrants for 3rd
quarter 1875.

Recd Jan 29/76

JOHN A. GRIER,

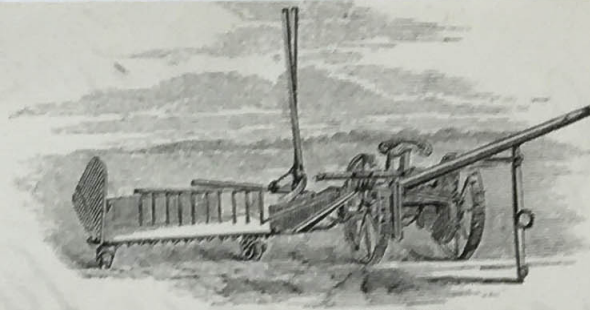
MANUFACTURER OF

The Valley Chief Mower

AND

SELF-RAKING REAPER, COMBINED.

(Successor to Marsh, Grier & Co.)



INQUIRER PR.

Mount Joy, Lancaster Co., Pa., Jan 27, 1876

Hon. James Pollock,

Superintendent U. S. Mint,

Dear Sir,

I most
respectfully acknowledge the
receipt of the appointment
as asst. engineer in the
U. S. Mint at Phila.

Enclosed please find the
oath of office. With many
thanks for your courtesy
& kindness in this matter

I remain most respectfully
Your obedient servant
John A. Grier.

P. S. I expect to be on hand on
Feb. 1.

J. A. G.

JOHN A. GRIER,
MANUFACTURER OF
The Valley Chief Mower
AND
SELF-RAKING REAPER, COMBINED.
(Successors to Marsh, Grier & Co.)

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John A. Grier
Mount Joy Pa.
27 Jan 1876.

Ackd. app't. as
Asst. Engineer.

Recd Jan 28/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Jan. 28, 1876.

For

Mr. A. M. Kenaday,
Secretary of the Association
of Mexican Veterans, called
here this morning, and desires
to have prepared immediately,
2500 copies in bronze of
the Badge of the Association,
together with the cross bars.

You will please
have the same prepared and
forwarded with the Bill,
made out to the Association,

30 of M
6 p. B

to this office.

Very respectfully
H. R. Linderman

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

D. M.

105 2

28 Jan. 1876.

Ordering 2500
bronze badges Assoc.
Vet. Mex. War, struck
& forwarded to D.M.,
with bill against
Assoc.

Rec'd 29 Jan 1876.

No. 100

at Philadelphia, the 25th day of January 1876, by James Pollock Supt

NOTE.—This Memorandum is for the information of the Depositor, and is of no other Value.

DESCRIPTION OF BULLION	WEIGHT		FINENESS	VALUE OF THE GOLD		SILVER PARTED FROM THE GOLD			DEDUCTIONS		NET VALUE		
	BEFORE MELTING			1,000th	Dollars	Cts.	FINENESS	Value		For Parting, Coinage and Fine Bars		Dollars	Cts.
	Ounces	Dec.						Dollars	Cts.	Dollars	Cts.		
U. S. Coin Collector Burlington VT													
Island of February 2 Received for this Dept 93. Dated at Philadelphia May 23, 1876. in William H. Mills Collection of Philadelphia Sale Value \$305				157	898		29	15					29 15

I Certify that the net amount of the above Deposit is Twenty nine hundred and 15 Dollars.
Payable at the Mint, only on presentation of the receipt of a corresponding date and number heretofore issued.

JAMES POLLOCK,
Superintendent of the Mint.

By
O. D. Jones

Gold Coin \$ 29.15
Gold Bars \$
Silver Coin \$
Silver Bars \$

Island Pond VT
February 23rd 1876
Received for this deposit of \$29.15
No 93. dated at Philadelphia
January 23, 1876, in favor of
William H. Wells collector of earnings
Burlington VT for \$29.15
Date

Sale Value
\$30

219

Edward F. Lee

Depy Coll. & Customs

Island Pond C. H. Vt.

Feb 26/76

Recd for 6/5 \$93

for \$29.15 - Gold

(see coinage)



Recd Mar 1/76

Jan. the 17th / 46

Bentville Ark

Mr Sir

I herewith
Send you a sample
of Ore and wish
you to tel me
what it is. and
whether its of value
or not I finde it
in great abundance
in Lone Ore

I herein send you
all the Money I
have got if it will
Not pay you for
the trouble send it
back at my expense

Yours Truly
R. A. Bennett

88
R. Bennett
Pentonville
Ark

Jan 17. 1876

Sending one
for assay

Recd Jan 24. 1876

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Jan. 28, 1876.

Sir

I have Yours of yesterday enclosing bids of W. Trotter & Co., and Pope, Cole & Co., for supplying 10,000 pounds of Copper to your Mint.

The proposal of Pope, Cole & Co., being the lowest is hereby approved. The bids are returned herewith.

Very respectfully

Amos A. Pollock

H. Linderman

Supt. Mint of
Philadelphia

Director

A.W.

103

Jan'y 28. 176

Approving proposal
of Pope, Hole & Co. for
10,000 lbs Copper
@ 23 ct.

Rec'd Jan'y 29/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January, 28, 1876.

Sir,

In reply to your communication of yesterday relative to furnishing Warrants for the loss on Quicks Gold I have to state, that inasmuch as you are charged in your Accounts with the Assay Value of the Quicks, in order to give yourself credit for the loss arising from the sale of the same, there should be a voucher of some kind, either a Warrant author-

izing Profit & Loss $\frac{1}{2}$ to be debited with this difference, or the receipt of the person purchasing the sweeps certifying as to the amount paid for the same. This latter would probably be a more complete voucher.

Very respectfully,

H. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

D. M.

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Jan'y 28/76

Want Warrant
from buyer certifying to amt paid,
w receipt for
loss on Sweeps.

Rec'd Jan 29/76

No. 124

MEMORANDUM of GOLD BULLION deposited at the MINT of the UNITED STATES

at Philadelphia, the 1st day of February 1876, by G. C. Thompson

NOTE.—This Memorandum is for the information of the Depositor, and is of no other Value.

DESCRIPTION OF BULLION	WEIGHT				FINENESS		VALUE OF THE GOLD			SILVER PARTED FROM THE GOLD			DEDUCTIONS		NET VALUE	
	BEFORE MELTING		AFTER MELTING		1,000th		Value			FINENESS	Value		For Parting, Coinage and Fine Bars			
	Ounces	Dec.	Ounces	Dec.							Dollars	Cts.			Dollars	Cts.
U. S. Coin		8 26		8 26	899		153	51							153	51
Collector of Customs Rochester N. Y.																

Total Value
\$153.51

I Certify that the net amount of the above Deposit is One hundred and Fifty Three ⁵¹/₁₀₀ Dollars.

Payable at the Mint, only on presentation of the receipt of a corresponding date and number heretofore issued.

Gold Coin \$ 153.51
 Gold Bars \$
 Silver Coin \$
 Silver Bars \$

JAMES POLLOCK,
Superintendent of the Mint.

By

O. B. Jones

Custom House, Rochester, N. Y.,

Collector's Office,

Jan 29th, 1876.

I have sent by Express Co
out today containing One hundred & fifty five
and ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ dollars. (\$155 ⁵⁰/₁₀₀) light gold coin, for
re-coinage.

The net value of which amount
I have deposited in my name, with the
Act. U.S. Treasurer Philadelphia to the
credit of the U.S. Treasury, on account of
Duties on Imports.

I am very respectfully
Yours,
J. A. Carter
Collector

To
Jas. Pollock Esq,
Supt. U.S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa

///

Custom House, Collector's Office,

ROCHESTER, N. Y.,

January 29, 1876.

D. K. Carter

Collector.

Forwards for recoinage
and deposit \$155⁵⁰
light gold coin.

No. of Enclosures, —

Rec^d Jan 31/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 29th 1876.

Sir:
I will thank you to purchase and forward to the U.S. Mint at Denver Colorado by Express, Three (3) Pair Assayers Shears transmitting the bill for the same in duplicate to this Office for payment.

Very respectfully

H R Linderman

Director

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

D. M.

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January 29/76

Order 3 pairs
Assays Shears for
the Denver Mint.

Rec'd Jan 31/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

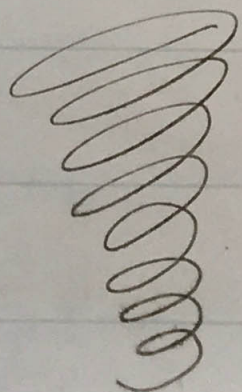
January 29, 1876.

Sir.

I have received the
Official Oath of Mr. A. Grier,
Assistant Engineer in the
General Department of
your Mint.

Very respectfully,
H. R. Underman
Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



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D. W.
January 29/76

Ack'd rec'd of Official
Cath by Geo. A. Grün
Ant Engineer

Rec'd Jan 31/76

Treasury Department,

January 29th, 1876.

Sir:

In compliance with your requisition, Stationery was shipped to your address on December 31st, 1875, the receipt of which has not been acknowledged.

Please receipt and return the letter transmitting the same without delay.

Very respectfully,

A. L. Gristen
Chief Division
Principal Clerk in Charge of Stationery and Blanks.

Superintendent
U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia,
Penn.

110
A. L. Sturtevant, &
Chf. Clk. Stationery
Washington D.C.
Jan'y 29/76

Wants receipt
for Stationery sent
Dec. 31/75

Recd Jan'y 31/76

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1876 / JANUARY (CONT.)

U.S. MINT GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE 1875/JANUARY

OFFICE OF
U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

Boston, Mass. January 1st, 1876

Sir: I am in receipt of your letter of 30th ult. and notice statement of your counters that 39 cents in old coppers were found mixed with the 1st nickel and 1st bronze pieces.

I respectfully enclose herewith affidavits that no old coppers were mixed with the nickel & bronze pieces when the coins left this office.

As the \$1208 were forwarded to you, not under general instructions but in payment of a Treasury Transfer Draft - which Draft has been forwarded to the Department - I respectfully return herewith the eighty-five cents currency, which you send me in acknowledgement of error in the examination of the 2nd pieces, and I request that you will credit me, in your A/c with the U. S. Treasurer, with the actual amount of minor coins delivered at your office - viz: \$1208, which amount



Boston. December 31, 1875

I, John J. Fatal hereby affirm that the \$480. ^{which were delivered to Adams Express Company Dec. 13, 1875,} in nickel and bronze one cent pieces were placed by me on the brass counting board in the office of the Assistant Treasurer at Boston, and after they were examined by Wm. S. Sargent and myself, were placed by me in bags and I solemnly affirm that there were no large coppers in the bags containing bronze and nickel one cent pieces.

John J. Fatal

Sworn to and subscribed
before me the day and
date above written.

A. Hastings,
Justice of the Peace.

Affidavit of John J.
Fatal. that bags
containing 1¢ bronze
& nickel cents. con-
tained no large
copper cents —

I, Wm. S. Sargent herein affirm under oath that four hundred ^{and} eighty dollars in nickel ^{and} bronze one cent pieces were delivered to Adams Express Company on December 13th 1875, that they were examined piece by piece on the brass counting board in the office of the Assistant Treasurer at Boston and I affirm that there were no large copper cents in the bags containing the bronze & nickel cents.

Wm. S. Sargent.

Sworn to and subscribed
before me this 31st day
of December 1875. }

A. Hastings
Justice of the Peace.

Affidavit of
Wm. J. Sargent
that \$480. in
bronze & nickel one
cent pieces were
delivered to Adams
Express Co on Dec 3/75
and that there were
no large copper cents
in the bags containing
the bronze & nickel
cents —

in all its details was strictly in
accordance with the schedule contained
in my letter to you of the 13th ultimo.

Very Respectfully

F. Haven

Asst. Treas. U.S.

Hon James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.

OFFICE OF U. S. ASSISTANT TREASURER,

BOSTON, MASS.,

January 1, 1876.

F. Haven

Ass't Treasurer.

Enclosing affi-
davit with regard
to disputed count
of redeemed
Mina coins.

No. of Enclosures

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Rec'd Jan'y 3/76

Blank No. 1.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

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23
WILLIAM DORTON, Pres't, } NEW YORK.
GEO. H. MUMFORD, Sec'y. }

Dated

Washington Jan 2 1876

Received at

1215

To

Sup Mint

Phila

Please send Mr Snowden
the Coiner here on
official business

A R Linderman

Director

17 Colleen

For rate

THIS TELEGRAM HAS JUST BEEN RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE IN

CONTINENTAL HOTEL,
WHERE ANY REPLY SHOULD BE SENT.

CORNER NINTH & CHESTNUT STREETS.
Direct Wires.

D.M.

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January 12/76

Request to send
the Coiner to Washington
on Official Business.

Recd Jan 12/76



J. J. JACOCKS, Life & Fire Insurance Agent,

AND AGENT FOR

Wheeler & Wilson's Sewing Machines.

Windsor, N. C. Jan'y 3rd 1876

Superintendent of U.S. Mint
Philadelphia Pa

Dear Sir

Please answer the following
questions and oblige to wit:-

- 1 What year was the two cent U.S. coin struck 1864
- 2 " " " " " " " " " 1793
- 3 " " " " " " " " " 1865
- 4 " " " " " five " " " " " 1866
- 5 " " " " " three " " " silver " " 1851
- 6 " " " " " five " " " " " " 1794
- 7 " " " " " ten " " " " " " 1794
- 8 " " " " " twentyfive " " " " " " 1796
- 9 " " " " " 1/2 dollar. " " " " " " 1794
- 10 " " " " " dollar. " " " " " " 1794

11 Please state which are the rarer
of the above coins and you will
confer a great favor upon your obt.
servant.

Respectfully
1864 dollar.

J. J. Jacocks

²⁰
J J Jacobs
Windsor N.C.
3 Jan 1876.

Inquiry date of
first coinage of
various coins U.S.

Rec'd 5 Jan 76.
~~Rec'd Jan 6/76~~

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January, 4, 1876.

Sir,

I have received the Oaths
of Office of the following persons
employed in your Mint, viz:

General Department.

Lewis O. Leiden - Counter.

D. M. Evans - Assistant.

Very respectfully,

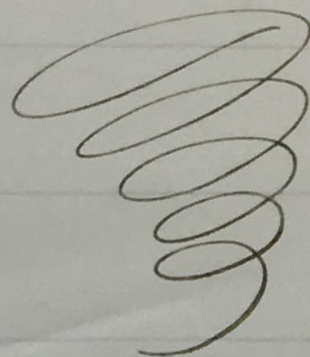
W. L. Davis

Acting Director.

Hon. James Pollock.

Supt. U. S. Mint.

Philadelphia.



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D. M.

Jan'y 4/76

Has rec'd orders
of Lewis F. Seidy
- D. M. Evans
Gen'l depts

Rec'd Jan'y 5/76

Gold

70.

	Obv.	Rev.	Ret.	Dest.	Total.
D. E.	5.	3.	0.	8.	8.
E	1.	1.	1.	1.	2.
1/2 E	1.	2.	0.	3.	3.
1/4 E	2.	1.	0.	3.	3.
3 Dol	1.	1.	1.	1.	2.
1 Dol	3.	2.	0.	5.	5.
	<u>13</u>	<u>10.</u>	<u>2.</u>	<u>21.</u>	<u>28</u>

Silver

Dol	6.	7.	3.	10.	13.
1/2 Dol	44.	36.	7.	73.	80.
1/4	19.	25.	2.	42.	44.
20 cent	3.	3.	1	5.	6.
Dime	65	67.	14.	118.	132.
	<u>137</u>	<u>138.</u>	<u>27.</u>	<u>248.</u>	<u>275.</u>

Nick

5 cent	68.	54	12.	110.	122.
3 "	6.	11	4	13.	17.
	<u>74.</u>	<u>65.</u>	<u>16.</u>	<u>123.</u>	<u>139.</u>

Bronze

one cent	68.	99.	9.	158.	167.
	<u>68</u>	<u>99.</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>158</u>	<u>167</u>
	<u>292.</u>	<u>312.</u>	<u>54.</u>	<u>550.</u>	<u>604.</u>

Report of Dies destroyed and returned
 Jan 3rd 1876
 A. R. Straub

Report to the Superintendent. 7B.

Coin Dies destroyed Jan'y 3^d 1876

Gold	Obverse	Reverse	Reverse	Destroyed
Double Eagles	5	3	to Coiner	
Eagles	1	1	1	
1/2 Eagles	1	2		
1/4 Eagles	2	1		
One Dollar	3	2		
3 dollars	1	1	1	
	13	10	2	21
Silver				
Trade Dollar	6	7	3	
1/2 dollar	44	36	7	
1/4 dollar	19	25	2	
Dimes	65	67	14	
20 Cent	3	3	1	
	137	138	27	248
Nickel				
5 Cents	68	54	12	
3 Cents	6	11	4	
	74	65	16	123
Brass				
One Cent	68	99	9	158
				Total Recd 104

Tail - Dies Returned to Coiner 54

Destroyed 550

W E DuBois
Assayer

Wm E. Burdett
Assays

A. W. Stewart
In Sup
Jan'y 3/76.

Report to him of
1875 defaced &
destroyed.

Recd Jan'y 4/76

Mint of the United States,

~~COINER'S~~ COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

Philadelphia, Jan. 4th 1876.

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent.

Sir;

In conformity with "Instructions and Regulations in relation to the transaction of business at the Mints and Assay Offices of the United States," I have the honor to submit the following report in relation to dies used during the year 1875.

The number of dies as charged in the books of the Engraver corresponded with the number as credited with having been received by this Department, to wit:—

Gold

	Obverse.	Reverse.
Double Eagle	5	3
Eagle	1	1
Half Eagle	1	2
Three Dollars	1	1
Quarter Eagle	2	1
One Dollar	3	2
Total over	13	10

	Obverse.	Reverse.	Total Dies
Total Gold brok. over	13	10	
		<u>13</u>	23

<u>Silver.</u>			
Trade Dollar	6	4	
Half Dollar	44	36	
Quarter Dollar	19	25	
Twenty Cents	3	3	
Dime	<u>65</u>	<u>64</u>	
Total	137	138	
		<u>137</u>	275

<u>Nickel & Bronze</u>			
Five Cent Nickel	68	54	
Three Cent Nickel	6	11	
One Cent Bronze	<u>68</u>	<u>99</u>	
Total	142	164	
		<u>142</u>	306

Making a total of dies received during the year 604

Of this number, there was of Reverse dies retained for the coming year 54

Leaving a balance of 550 dies which I had defaced and destroyed by the use of the forge and sledge in the presence of your representative, and that of the Assayer.

All of which is respectfully submitted by
Your Obedt. Servant London Snowden
Clerk.

A. L. Snowden, J^r
Comer
Jan'y 4/75

Repairs to the Dues
of 1875, defaced
and destroyed - &
Numbers returned to
Comer

[Statement of W. L. D.
and A. W. Stuart filed
Therein]

Recd Jan'y 4/76.

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Jan 4, 1876.

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Your report of furniture
and fixtures for the Quarter Ending
Dec. 31. 1875, has been received
and forwarded to the Supervising
Architect.

Very respectfully
W. B. Davis
Acting Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.
Philadelphia

White

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Jan'y 4/76

Report of Furniture
& Pictures rec'd

Rec'd Jan'y 5/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 4th, 1876.

Sir:

Your letter of the 3rd instant enclosing in duplicate bill of Henry Troemner, for one set Small Standard Weights shipped U.S. Mint Denver is received.

The bill of Mr. Troemner, has been approved and referred to the accounting Office for settlement.

Very respectfully

W. B. Davis

Acting Director

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint
Philadelphia

Recd

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Jan'y 4/76

H. Troemner's bill
for 5 small weights
for the Denver Mint
app'd & referred to
the Account^t of
- given for payt.

Recd Jan'y 5/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

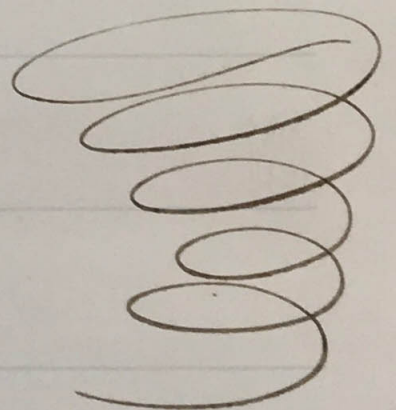
January 4, 1876.

Sir,

I have received your
Ordinary Expense Account
for the month of December,
1875.

Very respectfully,
W. B. Davis
Acting Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



D. M.

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Jan'y 4/76

Ord'y Expense
of Jan December,
1875. recd

Recd Jan 5/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 5th, 1876.

Sir

Your letter of the 4th inst., furnishing a Statement of the number and denomination of dies for the year 1875, which were destroyed, and the number of reverse dies returned to the Coiner, is received and placed on file in this Office.

Very respectfully
J. R. Linderman
Director

Hon. Jas. Pollock
Supt. Mint, U.S.
Philadelphia.

H.W. 15.

Jan'y 5/76

Has rec'd report
of dies defaced
and destroyed
Apr 1875.

Rec'd Jan'y 6/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Jan 5, 1876.

Sir

I will thank you to strike
either in soft metal or bronze,
an impression of the badge
designed for the Mexican
War Veterans, and forward
the same to this Office.

Very respectfully
H. R. Anderson

Hon. James Pollock Director
Supt. Mint of
Philadelphia

W. M.

17.

Jan 5/76

Wants impression
in soft metal or
Bronze of Badge
for Mexican War
Veterans.

Recd Jan 6/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 5th, 1876.

Sir

Inviting Your attention to the enclosed letter of J. F. Loubat of Paris, I will be obliged for such information as you may be able to give me, in relation to the questions therein contained.

Very respectfully

H. Linderman

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Mint U.S.

Philadelphia

Recd.

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Jan'y 5/76

Enclosing Letter
from J. F. Loubat
of Paris, enquiring about
Pact Grant, and
Com. Tauxem Medal

Recd Jan 6/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January, 5, 1876.

Sir,

Your Requisition for funds to meet the expenses of your Mint during the current month has been approved for the sum of \$32,400. - from the following Appropriations, viz:

Salaries _____ 1876 - \$3,400. -

Wages of Workmen _____ " - \$1,000. -

Contingent Expenses _____ " - 8,000. -

Very respectfully,

Hon. James Pollock.

Supt. U.S. Mint.

Philadelphia.

H. B. Anderson
Director.
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D.W. 16.

Jan'y 5/76

Requisition for
January acc^d
approved

Rec^d Jan'y 6/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 6th, 1876.

Dear Sir

I will thank you in connection with the Comr to carefully examine the actual costs of preparing the various public Medals, and Medals struck for Societies and individuals, with a view to ascertain whether the prices charged for such Medals cover the ^{actual} cost and 25 per cent added.

If you find that the charge in any case is above or below the actual cost and

25 per cent added, you will modify
the list of prices accordingly.

I am informed that
Mr. George Soley of the Mint, has
had manufactured a machine
after the pattern of the
Hill Engraving Machine, and
which he uses in the preparation
of medal dies. This must be
regarded as an infringement on
the patent, and the preparation of
medals as conflicting with
the spirit, if not the letter of
the law.

If Mr. Soley and the

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Engraving Machine is ~~not~~ already
under the control of the Engraver,
You will please place him and
it under the control of that
Officer, in subordination to
yourself, and prohibit the Engraver
from preparing any original dies
until you shall have first
obtained the sanction of this
office.

These instructions will
not prevent the Engraver from
executing the Trade Dollar dies,
according to the verbal under-
standing arrived at during

my last visit to your Mint.

The manufacture of dies by the Messrs. Barker and Mr. Soley, is the subject of occasional complaint on the part of private artists. While I do not desire to throw any unnecessary restrictions on these parties as to their work out of Mint hours, yet the law prohibiting the Engraving of private dies, or the use of the machinery and apparatus in any form whatever, must be strictly observed.

The difficulty in

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the case of the Ingers Barber,
no doubt arises from their
having the old Engraving Machine
in their private possession. If
this Machine belongs to the
Mint, it should be brought
back and retained there.

Please do not under-
stand me as stating that
the law and regulations have
been disregarded. All that I
know upon the subject is,
that private artists state, that
their business has been
greatly injured by the preparation

of dies on the part of persons
connected with the Mint. They
doubtless exaggerate the matter,
but it will be well to take all
necessary precautions to avoid
any just cause of complaint.

At any time you may
deem it advisable for the Engraver
to prepare any experimental dies for
the coinage, I will be glad to
approve of the same.

Very respectfully
H. R. Anderson

Hon. James Pollock

Supt. Mint &c.

Director

Phila^a

H. M.

Jan'y 6/76

Requests Examina-
tion into the Cost of
Medals; I have the
price list ready in case
of necessity.

Private Complaints
about medals & dies
prepared by the Messrs
Barber & the Soley.

Recd Jan'y 7/76

All Official Letters to the Treasurer's Office must be addressed to the "Treasurer of the U. S.," and in replying to Letters from the "Treasurer's Office," the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, January 6, 1876.

Sir:

Referring to your letter of the 22nd ultimo
advising this Office that \$2000. in minor
Coins would be forwarded on the 29th ultimo,
up to this date the remittance has not
yet come to hand.

Very Respectfully,

W. M. W. W.

Asst. Secy. U. S.

James Pollock, Esq.,

Superintendent of Mint of U. S.,

Philadelphia, Pa.

No 5¢ nickel until the 29th except cleaned
coin, and but little of that. And no 1¢ coin on
the 29th.

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Asst Treas. U. A.
(A. W. Wayman)
Washington D.C.
January 6/76

Enquiry about the
sum amount of \$2,000.
Miss Corie.

Ret Jan 7/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 6th, 1876.

Sir:

Your letter of the 5th instant
enclosing certificate of deposit for
\$243.32 on account of proceeds of
sale of old materials is received.

Very respectfully
J. R. Linderman

Director

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

H.W.

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Jan'y 6/76

Ack; recd of J.D.
for \$243 ³² — old
material sold.

Recd. Jan'y 7/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 6th, 1876.

Fin
Inviting Your attention to the
inclosed communication from the Asst.
Treasurer at New York, and the accompanying
three 5 Cent Nickel pieces, I have to
request that you will cause the same to be
carefully examined, and report:

1st Whether the coins are
counterfeit, and if so whether they are
of different varieties.

Hon. James Pollock

Supr. Mint of

Philad^a

2^d The Composition of
the alloy in the pieces.

Very respectfully

H. Behnderman

Director

D. M.

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Jan 6/76

Forwards, from Asst
Pres. U. S. Whipple the
Sesiz Ready, 3 species
5 & match for exam-
ination,

Recd Jan 7/76

LAW OFFICE OF

EDWARD P. BROWN,

82 DEVONSHIRE STREET,

Rooms 11, 12 & 13.

Residence, No. 2 Wellington Street.

Boston, Jan 7 1876

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 6th inst.
has been received.

I am very much obliged
for the information given, and will
be still more so if you give me the
name of your Corner, as it may be
necessary to take his deposition.

Yours Respectfully

E. P. Brown

James Colver Esq.

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E P Brown
Boston Mass

7 Jan 1876.

Thanking for information
and inquiring name of
Coiner.

Recd 8 Jan 1876.
Recd ~~Jan 11/76~~

New Brunswick N.J.

Jun 7 1875

Dr

Rec'd Mint Report for year
ending June 30 1873 - It states that
there was no Copper one cent pieces
coined in 1823 - How is that - I have
a few of that date in my possession
Yours

J E Bookstaver
Lock Box 85

Rec'd
July 11/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 7th, 1876.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in Silver coin to be transferred from the bullion fund of your Mint to the Treasurer of the U.S. the charges for transportation to be paid from Silver Profits.

Very respectfully
H. Linderman

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

Director

Recd.

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Jan'y 7/76

\$100,000. in Sub.
Silver Coin to be
transferred to the U. S.
Treas.

Recd Jan 8/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 7, 1876.

Sir,

Referring to Voucher #582 of your Ordinary Expense Account for December, 1875, the price charged for washing towels (75¢ per doz.) seems exceedingly high. The Treasury Department pays for similar services 15¢ per dozen.

Very respectfully,

H. B. Linderman

Hon. James Pollock, Director.
Supt. Phila. Mint.

W.M.

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In reference to
the high price paid
for washing towels.

Recd Jan'y 10/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 7th, 1876.

Sir;
Your letter of the 6th instant enclosing in duplicate bill for Proof Coins, forwarded this Office on the 4th instant is received,

Your account has been approved and referred to the accounting officers for settlement in in due course of business drafts for \$43.74 in coin and \$6.50 in currency will be sent you.

Very respectfully
H. Linderman

Director

Hon James Pollock
Supr Mint &
Philadelphia

Debit

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Jan 7/76

Bill for cash
1875 coins, referred to
account^{ts} open for
payt.

Rec Jan 8/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 7, 1876.

Sir,

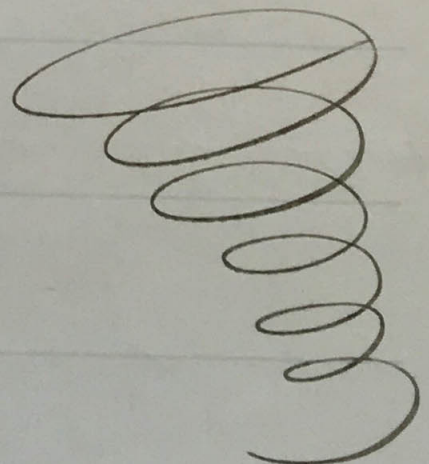
I have this day referred
to the Accounting Officers of the
Department for adjustment
your Ordinary Expense Account
for the month of December, 1875.

Very respectfully,

J. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



Recd.

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Jan'y 7/76

Ordry Expense for
for Decr 1875.
Refund.

Recd Jan 8/76

Custom House, Milwaukee, Wis.,

Collector's Office,

January 7, 1876

Sir:

Your letter of 4th inst is received enclosing
Certificate of Deposit No 90 (duplicate) from
Asst Treas U.S. Philadelphia for \$543²¹
Gold Coin, proceeds of the redemption of
\$549⁵⁰ light gold coin forwarded to you
from this office December 21, 1875, also
Mint Memorandum No 1406 as stated

Very respectfully,

C. W. Haas

Sp. Dep. Collector

Jas Pollock Esq
Supt U.S. Mint

Philadelphia Pa.

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Custom House, Collector's Office,

MILWAUKEE, WIS.,

Jan 7, 1876.

A. W. Hale

Spec. Mfg

Collector.

Akg recty of
for \$573 ²¹/₁₀₀ percent
Securities light gold
coin.

No. of Enclosures, —

Recd Jan 10/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 7th, 1876

Sir:

Your letter of the 6th instant
enclosing Certificate of deposit
for \$11,750.02 on account of Minor
Coinage Profits is received.

Very respectfully
H. Robinson

Director

Hon James Pollock
Fifth Ward of the U.S.
Philadelphia

Debit

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Jan 7/76

Ack & recd of
Lap. for \$11,750 ⁰⁰
on account of mining
profits.

Recd Jan 8/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 7, 1876.

Sir,

The books of the Department show the following balances remaining in the Treasury of the United States to the credit of the appropriations for the support of your Mint for the current fiscal year:

Salaries	1876	\$ 13,500.—	✓
Wages of Workmen	"	103,000.—	✓
Contingent Expenses	"	20,767. ²⁵ / ₁₀₀	✓

Very respectfully,

H. Lindemann

Hon. James Pollock.

Supt. U.S. Mint.
Philadelphia.

Director.

H. M.

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Jan 7/76

Stating bal. & apprs
for current fiscal year.

Recd Jan 8/76

Mint of the United States.

ENGRAVER'S DEPARTMENT.

Philadelphia, Jan 9th 1878

Mr. Colver.

Please make for
Dr. Hodge, One Gold Medal, of the
same design as one made May 17/72

Yours Resp^{ly}
Wm Barber

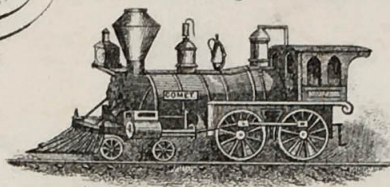
Order
Com Barber
for
One Gold D. Hoag
Medal
Jan'y 8. 1894

AGENCY OF THE

J. M. ALLEN, Pres.

W. B. FRANKLIN, Vice Pres.

J. B. PIERCE, Secy.



CORBIN & GOODRICH,
General Agents,
480 Walnut Street,
PHILADELPHIA.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan 8th 1876

Mr James Talbot
Superintendent of
United States Mint
at Philadelphia

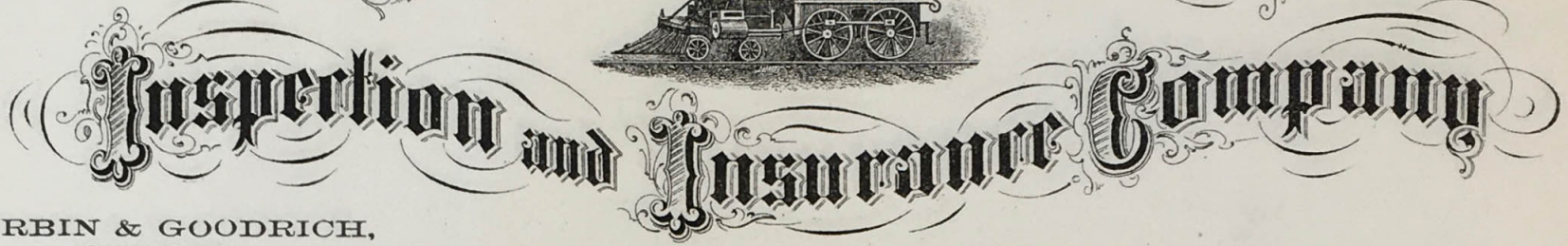
Dear Sir,

On the 5th inst. I called at the Mint as requested, and made a careful examination of the two Boilers furthest toward the west, of the range of Eight^{3 in} Boilers there located: - The other ~~two~~ being fired up at the time-. These Boilers, which are about 25 ft. long & 40 in. in diam. with mud drums about 13 ft. long & 30 in. diam. are made of first class iron, $\frac{3}{8}$ in. in thickness, - with all seams double riveted - and in the most thorough and substantial manner. Upon examining these Boilers I found the curvilinear seams on the bottoms had been newly caulked. but I observed that these seams had been

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leaking. The leaks evidently having been greater over the fire and decreasing until they faded out at the rear ends. The leaks did not appear to extend far up the sides of the boilers, nor was there any appearance of leaking on the longitudinal beams or on the mud drums. Upon going into these boilers I found considerable scale on the iron and the appearance of their having at some time been heavily scaled. Otherwise they were in good condition internally. The mud drums look well inside with the exception of some slight corrosion and being pitted some in spots.

The leaking of Boilers at the seams on the bottoms may be produced by different causes. It might be caused by pumping in cold water, thereby cooling & contracting the bottom, while the temper-

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alarm at the top is unchanged. Or
the same contraction might be caused
by allowing the fire doors to stand open
with the dampers up and a column of
cold air passing under them.

Or—as in the case of your boilers—when
they are built of heavy iron with wide
laps at the seams, an accumulation
of heavy scale on the fire might
cause them to leak. And would
certainly if continued for considerable
time, granulate the iron and destroy
its life. As the heavy scale in
addition to the double thickness of the
iron prevents the water from thoroughly
protecting it.

In this case however, it has been
caused without doubt by allowing
the water in the boilers to get very
low and then filling while they
were still hot. As I was informed

J. M. ALLEN, Pres:

W. B. FRANKLIN, Vice Pres:

J. B. PIERCE, Secy



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that they were left at 3-15 P.M., with plenty of water and in good condition. The fires being covered and dampers nearly closed and a low pressure of steam. When next visited - four hours later - there was no water and the "blow off" partly open. The watchman says he closed the blow off, and immediately filled the boilers with water, when they began to leak.

Now from the appearance of the Boilers I have no hesitation in saying they could not have been very hot at this time, - certainly not red hot; for had they been, the pressure of steam from the other boilers would have almost without doubt, bulged the bottoms down. In short there are no appearances that indicate excessive heat. I saw the Boilers today under pressure & perfectly tight, without

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J. B. PIERCE, Sec'y



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a single rivet having been cut out, and
I consider them at this time
just as good in every particular as
before this trouble occurred, not
thinking the iron has in any way
been injured.

Very Respectfully Yours
Wm. G. Pike
Inspector

P.S. I would recommend that the
Globe valves not used at the "blow off"
be replaced by "Plug Cocks."
W. G. P.

Wm. G. Pike
 Boiler Inspector
 Hartford Insurance & In-
 -urance Co. Phil^a
 January 8. 1876.

Reports the con-
 -dition of the above
 Boilers.

Recd Jan 12/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January, 8, 1876.

Sir,

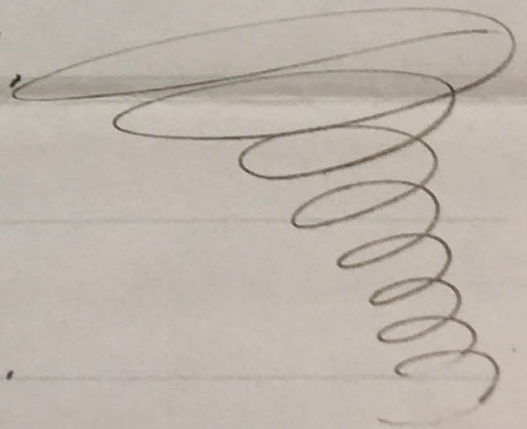
I have received your Statement of Medal Fund Account for the Quarter ended Dec. 31, 1875.

Very respectfully,

H. Linderman

Director.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt. U.S. Mint,
Philadelphia.



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D. M.

Jan'y 8/76

Medal Fund Exp
2 Dec. 31. 1875,
recd.

Rec'd Jan'y 10/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 8th, 1876.

Sir:

Your letter of the 7th instant transmitting statement of amount paid for the transportation of Silver Bullion and Subsidiary Coin to and from the Mint during the 4th quarter 1875 is received.

Very respectfully

H. Linderman

Director

Hon. James Pollock

Fifth Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

W. M.

Jan'y 8/76

Statement of amt
paid for transporta-
-tion of Silver Bullion
& Sub. Silver Coin
4th Dec 1875, rec'd

Rec'd Jan'y 10/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 10th, 1876.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in Silver coin to be transferred from your bullion fund to the Treasurer of the U. S. the charges for transportation to be paid by you from Silver profits.

Very respectfully

Wm. A. R. Underman

Hon. James Pollock

Director

5th Mint Bldg
Philadelphia

Del'd

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Jan'y 10/76

\$100,000, to be trans-
ferred to the U.S. Treasury.
as sub Silver Coin.

Rec'd Jan'y 11/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 11th 1876.

Sir:

You will please make the usual arrangements for the business and entertainment of the Annual Assay Commission, which will meet at your Mint on 9th February next.

I have requested the attendance of Superintendents Lalpage, Crawford, and Acton at Annual Assay, with a view to have a general conference of Mint officers on various matters connected with the Coinage; while their expenses will not be defrayed by your Mint, places will be provided for them at the Lunch table.

It is my desire that they have a full opportunity to witness the proceedings of the Commission and the

Machinery, apparatus and
operations of your Mint.

Very respectfully

A. R. Linderman

Director

Hon James Pollock
Fifth Mint of the U.S.
Philadelphia

M.M.

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July 11/76

To prepare as usual
for the annual assay.
Supt. LaGrange, Crawford
& others will be present.

Recd July 12/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 11th, 1876.

Sir

I have Your letter of yesterday relative to the alleged manufacture of private medals by persons connected with the Mint.

The statement of facts contained therein, is entirely satisfactory.

With respect to the old engraving machine, I do not believe that it would be wise to offer it at public sale, lest it might be used for unlawful purposes.

I have some recollection that when Mr. Barber took the machine in 1868, he claimed to have performed some work in the Mint, extra official in its character, and which he desired to offset against the machine in question. A definite conclusion was not, according to my recollection, arrived at.

As I will be at the Mint on the 9th of February, to attend the annual assay, the machine may for the present, remain in the custody

of Mr. Barber. While at the
assay, we will consider and
determine what to do with it.

Very respectfully
H. Linderman

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt. Minty.

Philadelphia

D. M.

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Jan'y 11/76

Will determine at the
Annual Assg what dispo-
-tion to make of the old
Engraving machine in Mr
Barber's hands.

Rec'd Jan'y 12/76

1/14/76

My dear Sir—

Your favor rec^d

K & S will see

5 tons Best Quality Lumber 12¢

5 tons mst " " 11¢

Very Resp

immediate
delivery

O. J. Potter

DELAWARE METAL REFINERY.

SPEAR & RICHARDS,

Metal Refiners and Chemists,

EIGHTEENTH & WASHINGTON AVENUE.

YELLOW AND RED BRASS CASTINGS.

Manufacturers of Refined Spelter, Fine Bar and Plumbers' Solder, Babbit Metals. Dealers and Importers in Pig Tin, Pig Lead, Bar Tin, Bar Lead. All kinds of Old Metals, Turnings and Drosses Bought or Exchanged. Lehigh Zinc in Stock.

Philadelphia, Jan 14 1876
J. C. Wootch Esq. to S. M.
Dear Sir
Yours friend to hand

Our supply of raw material
is consequent of the depressed
state of Trade has fallen off
very much and we have
difficulty in supplying our
present contracts and have
no stock on hand so would
be unable to quote you at
this time

Yours with regrets
for our inability to quote you.
Spear & Richards

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 12th 1876.

Sir:

Please purchase and ship immediately to the U.S. Mint at San Francisco, five (5) tons zinc suitable for refining by Nitric Acid process, and have seller forward bill in duplicate accompanied by Bill Lading to this Office for settlement.

Very respectfully

Hon James Pollock
Supt Mint of
Philadelphia

A. A. Linderman
Director

Del.

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January 12/76

Five tons Gine & Co
be purchased and
shipped immediately
to S. F. Elliott.

Recd Jan 13/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 12th, 1876.

Sir

I transmit herewith one Spanish Doubloon.

I will thank you to return its value in U. S. gold and Silver coin to this Office.

Very respectfully.

H. R. L.

Director

Hon. Jas. Pollock,

Supt. Mint U. S.

Philadelphia.

my desire is to have the piece assayed
for gold & silver and value returned
in gold coin H. R. L.

Debt

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January 12/76

Forwards for assay
1 Spanish plantbloom.
Value to be returned.

Recd Jan'y 14/76

H. W.

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January 14/76

Wants to return
mail approximate
Statement of amt
of Silver Bullion &
the amt, Dec 31/75

Rec'd Jan 18/76

OFFICE OF
U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

New York, *Jan 15, 1876*

Sir

Will you please to inform
me whether the enclosed five cent
nickel is genuine or counterfeit? also
please to return the said nickel.

Very respectfully

W. M. W. S.

W. M. W. S.

Slide

Hon. James Pollock.

Superintendent, U. S. Mint.

Philadelphia, Pa.

genuine

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Office of U. S. Assistant Treasurer,

NEW YORK,

January 15, 1876.

Thos. Hillhouse

Ass't Treasurer.

Forwards \$ &
Check for Exam-
-ination & return.

No. of Enclosures /

Recd Jan 17/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 10th, 1876.

Sir

By mail today I send
you twenty-five additional copies of my
last annual report as per request contained
in your letter of the 14th instant.

Please acknowledge their receipt.

I am Sir very respectfully.

J. A. Linderman

Hon James Pollock

Director

Superintendent &c

Philadelphia Pa.

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H. M.

Jan 15/76

Forward by mail
25 copies annual Report
up to 1875

Recd by 17/76

UNITED STATES MINT,

Philadelphia, *Jan. 17,* 187*6,*

Treasurer
 Delivered for transportation to *Superintendent U. S.*
~~Assay Office, New York:~~ *Washington, D.C.*

SILVER COINS, viz:

DOLLARS,

DIMES,

GOLD COINS, viz:

EAGLES,

DOLLARS,

No.
Invoice

\$

c.

1,600 00

(Signature)

Cashier.

All Official Letters to the Treasurer's Office must be addressed to the "Treasurer of the U. S.," and in replying to Letters from the "Treasurer's Office," the initials on the upper left-hand corner should be referred to.

Treasury of the United States,

Washington, Jan 15, 1876.

LL..
Sir:

I enclose herewith my Coin
Transfer Check, No 2041, on Asst. Treasurer
U. S. Philadelphia, in your favor for \$1000.[#]
for which please send me 1000 Gold
Dollars, \$1000.[#]

Very respectfully,

Wm. M. Wyma,

Asst. Treas. U. S.

Hon. James Pollock,

Superintendent,

U. S. Mint,

Philada.

despatched

1/19/76

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Hon. A. A. Wigman
Ans. Dec. 11
Waiting the W.C.
Jan 15/76

Remits coin draft
for \$1,000. for \$1,000.
gold dollar to return

Cashier's memorandum
of dispatch, filed herein.

Recd Jan 17/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Jan. 12, 1876.

Sir

A telegram in the following words, sent you this day, is hereby made official.

"Please send Mr. Snowden, the Corner, here on official business."

Very respectfully
H. R. Lindeman

Am. James Pollack
Supt. Mint U.S.

Director

Chicago

A.M.

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July 12/76

Confirming telegram
requesting the Joiner's presence
in Washington on official
business.

Recd July 13/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January 12th, 1876.

Sir:

I have requested the Secretary of the Treasury to cause the sum of \$100,000 in Silver Coin to be transferred from your bullion fund to the Treasury of the U.S. the charges for transportation to be paid from Silver profit fund.

Very respectfully
J. B. Buchanan

Director

Hon. James Pollock
Fifth Mint
Philadelphia

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H.M.

Jan'y 12/76

\$100,000. Int^r Silver
to be transferred to the U.
S. Treas'y.

Rec'd Jan 13/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

Jan 13, 1876.

Sir,

Acknowledging Your letter of yesterday
respecting the preparation of an Assay
medal You are hereby authorized to have
such a medal prepared as You
may think appropriate. I should
think that twenty five copies would
be sufficient. I would have it struck
in copper-bronz. & put up in a neat
case.

Very Respectfully

H B Friedman
Director

Hon. James Pollock
Supt Mint U.S.

Phila^a

H.W.

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January 13/76.

Orders 25

Copper-bronze, assay
Medals.

Recd Jan 14/76

Treasury Department,

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF THE MINT,

January, 14, 1876.

Sir.

I have received your communication of yesterday forwarding corrected Reports marked "F," "L" and "G" of your Medal Account for the quarter ending Dec. 31. 1875. Together with a copy of a letter from the Coiner relative to Report "L."

The explanation of the inaccuracies in the first reports is satisfactory.

Very respectfully.

Hon. James Pollock.

Supt. Phila. Mint.

H. Blundeman

Director.

D. L.

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Jan'y 14/76

Has recd corrected
manuscript of F. L. O. H. f
Quaker entry Dec 31/76

Recd Jan 15/76

Assays of samples of doré silver,
from the U. S. Mint, San Francisco,
made at the U. S. Mint Philadelphia.

January 4th 1876

No.	Silver Thous.	Gold Thous.	No.	Silver Thous.	Gold Thous.
471	953.	42.8	502	944½	40.2
3	953½	43.8	4	946	39.7
5	950½	44.6	5	946½	40.1
9	952½	42.2	6	946	39.7
480	951	42.3	7	946½	40.0
1	956	41.1	8	946½	40.0
2	953½	41.8	9	942	48.6
3	952	43.8	510	942½	48.4
4	952½	43.7	1	940½	50.0
9	946	38.1	3	942	47.0
491	957	38.2	4	942½	46.7
2	958½	38.6	5	936½	52.7
4	958	38.6	6	935½	52.8
6	958	39.1	7	938½	53.7
7	947	40.7	8	940	53.7
8	947	40.1	9	942½	50.6
500	946	39.9	520	942½	50.0
			615	940	51.6
			649	950	39.9

Mint of the United States, at Philadelphia,

Assay Department. January 4th 1876

Hon. James Pollock

Superintendent &c &c

Sir,

I will thank you to communicate to the Director of the Mint the accompanying report of assays, of samples of silver containing gold, sent here by his order, from the U. S. Mint at San Francisco.

I have also some explanations to add.

The samples generally contained a little Mercury, sufficient to make the humid assay unreliable. We therefore depended upon the oven for the silver assays, carefully repeated and guarded by proofs. I report these to the half thousandth as usual.

For the gold assay, we adhered to the method which is, undoubtedly, the most accurate in mixed metal of this grade; that is, of parting, by an acid of low strength;—ten degrees.

But as this is an improvement made in this office, and of recent adoption, we thought it desirable to prove the results, not only by assays

four times repeated in each case, but also by synthetic or composite assay, adding fine gold so as to make a mixture to be parted with the usual strength of acid, and to finish with an intact cornet. This method afforded a very fine corroboration of the process just mentioned.

I report the gold assays to tenths, because this degree of accuracy will aid the Director in deciding what he will do in the matter. At the same time it is to be understood that if I were reporting in the customary routine of business, it would be to the half-thousandth. For example, 43.7 or 43.8 would be called 43.5 but 43.9 would be called 44.0.

Not having the San Francisco assays, I do not know how they compare.

Very respectfully

Wm E DuBois Assayer.

Wm E. DuBois, &
Assays
Jan'y 4. 1876

Report Result of
Assays & Samples of
Doric Silver forwarded
Nov 29/75 by Super
Mint at San Fran-
cisco.

Rec'd Jan 4/76

Mint of the United States,

~~SEAL~~ COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

Philadelphia, January 6th 1876.

Hon James Pollock
Superintendent.

Sir;

In reply to the interrogatories contained in the letter of Mr. Edward P. Brown, of Boston, I have the honor to state that the diameter of the coin is established by the Mint authorities, ^{our coin presents to me the gold only} and not by law. There has been a difference in the size of the Dime and Quarter Dollar. The Quarter Dollar from 1796 for several years, was one and eleven-hundredths ($1\frac{11}{100}$) inches, or one hundred and eleven one-hundredths ($\frac{111}{100}$) inches in diameter - the Dime was seventy-seven one hundredths ($\frac{77}{100}$) of an inch.

For some years previous to 1836, the diameter of the Quarter Dollar was ninety-five one hundredths ($\frac{95}{100}$), and the Dime Seventy-one one-hundredths ($\frac{71}{100}$) of an inch in diameter.

A change was made in 1836 as to the Dime, making it seventy one-hundredths ($\frac{70}{100}$) of an inch - the Quarter Dollar continuing

as before. The early coinage
was struck in what we denominate an open
collar, and there may be a slight variation
in diameter - perhaps not exceeding one
one-hundredth ($\frac{1}{100}$) of an inch, but all
the coinage with a reeded edge was
struck in close collar, and the pieces
should be accurately uniform in dia-
meter.

I am Sir

Very Respectfully

Your Obt. Servant

London London London
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Comer.

A. L. Snowden, ¹⁹⁰ Coiner
W. S. Mink

^{at}
Philadelphia

Jan'y 6. 1876

In relation to
size & diameter of
Dime & Quarter Dollar.
&c

Rec'd Jan'y 6. 1875

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

8th January 1876

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent

Sir,

I herewith transmit to you my monthly Reports on Silver Melting for December 1875. Gold was not melted, because the work of November was sufficient for more than a month. In Silver melting the apparent loss was over the legal allowance, but the collected general grains of the month, reduce the wastage from $\frac{153}{1000}$ to $\frac{130}{1000}$; or in oz. $1015\frac{36}{100}$ becomes a wastage of 860 oz.

The Coiner having complained of blistered metal, we obviated it by casting at a higher heat, producing a greater apparent wastage, but this excess will be recovered in the sweep.

Respectfully Yours
J. H. Booth

M. & B.

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Jas. C. Booth
M & N
Jan'y 8/76

Transmitting
Statement of Silver
Workings for
December, 1875.

Rec'd Jan'y 8/76

Mint of the United States, at Philadelphia,

Assay Department.

January 8th 1876

Hon: James Pollock

Superintendent &c, &c.

Sir,

The three nickel 5 cent pieces, enclosed in the letter of the Director of the Mint of the 6th inst, have been duly examined.

It is easy to see, from their face, that they are counterfeits, although on the 5 side they present a pretty good appearance. On the other side, the motto, especially the word WE is miserably executed.

They present two varieties; that is, the shield differs a little on one, from the other two; otherwise, the lettering seems identical, indicating that they all come from the same factory. They are all dated 1873. We have pieces of the same make, dated 1874.

We have heretofore analyzed samples of this manufacture, and find

They contain nickel and copper, pretty nearly in right proportion.

In fact, the assay proves nothing, except that the counterfeiters know how to make their mixture. They can well afford to make it right, since the whole piece, in both metals, is worth barely one cent, currency. No better field is open to such operators, if they can push out the pieces in quantity; because nobody stops to examine a nickel piece, if it makes any tolerable show. On every issue of 1000 dollars, the profit is 800 dollars. It works a great damage to the government, and to the people; and of course is constantly growing worse.

In returning these pieces I enclose the two varieties in different papers. It requires the aid of a magnifying glass to see where the difference lies. —

But the naked eye can see the striking
fault, already stated, in all of them
Very Respectfully

W E DuBois Assayer.

P.S. I intended further to say, that the
deficient weight of these pieces, is evi-
-dence against them, if any were needed.
They run light, 4, $4\frac{1}{2}$ and 5 grains, like
the pieces of 1874. This however, would
not prevent their circulation. It only
shows a want of skill or care in their
manufacture.

D.

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H. E. DuBois
Assayer
8 Jan. 1876.

Report on three
counterfeit 5¢
nickels from
Director.

Rec'd 8 Jan 76.

Mint of the United States,

~~Chief~~ COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

Philadelphia, January 12th 1876.

Hon. James Pollock,
Superintendent.

Sir;

In a communication I had the honor to address you on the 21st ult, in "relation to defective coinage at the Carson City Mint," and the probable causes of the same, I concluded by saying that by following the rules which I suggested "no difficulty should be experienced in producing as good work at one Mint as at any other provided the appliances are equally favorable."

Since writing the communication my attention has been directed to an important fact in connection with the coinage of Carson City and San Francisco, which was overlooked at the time, and which has probably a very important influence in producing the marked difference between the coinage of the two Mints. I allude to the use at San Francisco of the mammoth coinage

press, which is perhaps the largest in the world.

This press gives the unyielding solidity, absolutely necessary to a perfect blow.

On the largest press in use in this department there is a very preceptable spring in the arch when coining the Trade Dollars.

This yielding of the press is destructive of that uniformity in the employment of force essential to a perfect coinage.

We have better opportunities in the preparation of our dies, and are certainly fully equal to San Francisco in the skill and care necessary to a good coinage - ~~then~~ there can be but one cause for the difference in the appearance of the Trade Dollars, coined at San Francisco, and the other Mints, and that is the use of the grand Coining Press to which I have alluded.

Since the discussion of the defects in the coinage at Carson City, I have given particular attention to the Trade Dollar coinage, with a view to ascertain if it is possible to bring up all the work upon the dies with the Coining presses now in use.

Thus far my efforts have been futile. There is not enough power and firmness in the

press to do the work -

It is believed that with the use of a powerful press, such as in use in San Francisco, and run at a uniform speed of say seventy-five (75) revolutions to the Minute, that we would have less sinking of the dies, and could produce a much more perfect piece.

It is of the first importance that the Coinage of our Country should be as near perfect as skill and the use of the most improved machinery can make it. and it is also of the highest importance to our credit as the oldest National Mint, that we preserve our prestige, which can only be done by issuing a coinage at least as good as is issued at any other Mint.

With these weighty considerations in view I would most respectfully and earnestly urge upon you the importance of purchasing at least one Coining Press with a power equal to that at San Francisco.

I hope that this subject may receive your immediate attention.

I am Respectfully, Yr. Obedt. Ser't

Borden Smiley

Coiner.

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A. Loudon Snowden, &
Coines
January 12/76

Recommend the im-
mediate purchase of a
mammoth coinage
press like that at the
San Francisco Mint,
for Trade Dollars.

Recd Jan 12/76

Mint of the United States,

Treasurer's Office,

Philadelphia Jan. 17. 1876.

Sir:

I take much pleasure in informing you that Mr. Lewis C. Eddy, who by your appointment has been my assistant since Jan. 3, current, has made good progress, and is now able to perform, with reasonable despatch and correctness all of the current duties performed by his father for so many years. I find him always attentive, courteous, and willing, and in my opinion he will prove a valuable man in your office.

On view of these facts I feel it my duty to recommend an increase of his per diem compensation to take effect in February, proximo. And I take the liberty to mention it so early in order that you may, if you deem it proper, take timely action.

Very Respectfully,

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent

W. H. Cobb
Clerk

M. H. Cobb. ⁶⁰

Cashier

Jan 17. 1876

Recommending an
increase in Mr. Lindsays
salary.

Recd 17 Jan 76.

United States Laundry
Cor. 18 & Lombard
Dear Sir

Yours received.
I have examined your
towels & the lowest price
we can wash & iron
them for is 50¢ per dozen

Respect.

Olphim & Adams
per Jones

Phila. Jan 17/96

~~U. S. Laundry~~ 61
U. S. Laundry
(Alphine & Adams)
18th & Lombard St.
Phila

January 17. 1876

Offer to wash
Mint ~~laundries~~ @
.50 cts per dozen

Recd Jan'y 17/76

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

19th Jan. 1876

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent
Sir,

We are out of the stock of
Copper purchased a few weeks since, and from
the orders for Bronze coin. I suggest that we
should advertise for at least ten thousand
pounds "Best Lake Copper".

Respectfully yours

J. C. Booth

m & R

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Jas. C. Booth
MTR
Jan'y 19/76

Will need
10,000 lbs best
Lake Copper &
Minor joinage

Rec'd Jan'y 19/76

The Mint of the United States, at Carson.
Assayer's
Copy ~~Superintendent's~~ Office.

January 11th 1876

Hon. James Crawford,
Supt. Mint of the U.S. &c.,
Sir:

Upon Examination of the Coins
contained in the box, kept for the annual assay
and test coins, I find that the discoloration was
caused by the heat of the Vault in which they
were kept. -

Many of the Envelopes, containing the Coins,
were fastened by Rubber bands, as well as
sealed. - The Rubber becoming heated, caused
fumes from the sulphur to arise & blacken the
Coins. -

In this connection, I would suggest the
procuring something better than paper Envelopes
in which to place the Assay pieces. -

(Signed) Will Hopkins, Assayer

The Mint of the United States,

AT CARSON, NEVADA.

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JAMES CRAWFORD,

Superintendent.

SUBJECT.

NO. OF INCLOSURES.

T.R.S.

The Mint of the United States, at Carson.

Superintendent's Office.

Aug. 11th, 1876

Sir:

I herewith hand you the Report
of the Assayer of this Mint, presenting
his theory upon the discoloration of the assay
coins transmitted to you on the 8th inst. -

Very Respectfully,
James Crawford
Supt.

Hon. James Pollock,
Supt U. S. Mint,
Philadelphia

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The Mint of the United States,

AT CARSON, NEVADA.

January 11. 1876

JAMES CRAWFORD,
Superintendent.

SUBJECT.

Enclosing copy of
Assayer's explanation
of the discoloration of
Assay coins.

NO. OF INCLOSURES. 1

Recd Jan 19/76

Mint of the United States,

CHIEF COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

Philadelphia, January 21st 1876.

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent.
Sir;

I desire to direct your attention to the fact that from some cause, either ~~to~~ the character of the metal employed, or its manipulation, the present one-cent planchets are so stained and discolored as to make their issue discreditable to the Institution -

I understand unofficially, that five dippings in acid will not cleanse them.

I direct your attention to this subject that an effort may be made, and that immediately, to correct this defect.

I consider that the credit of every officer in the Mint is at stake in emitting a coinage such as the one cent coinage is at present.

I am Sir Very Respectfully

Your Obedt. Servant

Borden Burdett
Coiner.

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A. Landon Snowden, Esq
Coiner
January 21/76

Complains of the
stained & discolored
condition of planchets
for the Bronze 1 & pieces.

Recd Jan'y 21/76

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

25th Jan. 1876

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent

Sir,

Having closely observed the course of Mr Syle, since he has been in the Mint, I can give the fullest testimony to his untiring devotion to whatever he has been required to execute, - to the uniform excellence of the execution, - to his unusual capacity, & to valuable suggestions I have received from him, - to his uncommon attainments in many branches of knowledge, which he has not rarely applied usefully to me.

Beside doing all that I require of him, which has relieved me very much in calculations & in transcriptions, I have asked Mr Hickok, & learned from him that he has also proved a very valuable aid in whatever he has been asked to perform.

I have also been much pleased with the fine moral & religious tone of his mind, and all are, I believe, well pleased with his personal intercourse, which evinces a gentlemanly deportment of manner, combined with a most genial disposition, & cheerfulness in conversation.

For all his good qualities of character and action I respectfully suggest for your consideration, whether you might not, consistently, raise his pay to what you might fairly deem his real worth, in comparison with like positions. As he is studying for the Ministry in his hours of relief from Mint work, you know that that is not very profit-yielding, if we may judge from the army of clergy, who nearly get enough to live, & hence if he could get something more than he now receives, he might feel more relieved in mind, & lay the foundation of much future usefulness.

Very truly yours
Jas C Booth

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Jas. C. Booth
Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, July 25. 1876

No. of Papers,

Subject, Recommend an
increase in the per
diem of Henry Winter
Hyle, Asst. Calculator

Recd July 25/76

Elchick Somerset Co. Pa.
Elk Lick January 11th. A.D. 1816

Mr. James, Jewell

I beg pardon for bothering you with my own
and hope that you will be so kind
as to pardon me.

That Samples must not, I think continue
some Silver, and I wish you would send it
here and tell if you think the ore
is sufficient for work. as there is fasten's ready
and ready. We only have 20 days time to buy
or else it. So if you please do the best
you can and I will be constant and much
obliged. I the yours is one foot thick.

I have some ore to Sabhat and Singan

of Maryland and they told me that they
sent it by you to have it send

I have on hand some other ores of different
kinds of Copper lead, and I wish
so if any fasten's wants ore to Speculate
in send them to me. & I think that I
can satisfy them Yours with respect,

Address all letters to Wm. H. Wheeler.

Elchick Somerset Co. Pa.

all the ore that I want kind is not
the Bazaar; sent for land. Some
you can keep them or give them
to somebody else
over

Enclosed find PO Order
for \$5.

Wm L. Wheeler
Elk Creek P.O.

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Lang 18.1896

Sample of
one for assay

Recd Lang 21.1896

Mint of the United States,

AT PHILADELPHIA.

MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

27th Jan 1876

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent.

Sir,

We shall be out of Silver within three days, and will be glad to receive more for coinage. If we are likely to receive more unparted bars, I would be glad to know when we may expect them. If not, we shall probably have a few more hands than the business of the Mint demands.

Respectfully yours
J. A. C. Booth
m & R

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Jas. L. Booth
M.H.

Jan'y 27/76

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27th Jan^y 1876

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent

Sir,

I proceeded to investigate the complaint of the Coiner, as expressed in his note of the 21st Inst., on the stains & discoloration of the bronze blanks, and found that it might be chiefly attributed to an increase in the use of the old copper bent metal more freely than usual. I have therefore taken measures to diminish the quantity to about 10 % of the whole melt. of bronze.

Respectfully yours
J. H. Booth.

M & R.

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James C. Booth
MTR

Jan'y 27/76

Discoloration of
1¢ piece caused by too
large a proportion of
old copper cents - Will
reduce it to 10 per cent

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MELTING AND REFINING DEPARTMENT.

28th Jan^y. 1876

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent

Sir,

There has arisen a disagreement between my two watchmen, M^r Duaid & Henry, resulting, physically, only in the destruction of a key by violence, and I would be glad if you would examine these two men, so as to pass some judgment in relation to their disagreement.

Since these two men are every night together on the Watch, it seems clear to me that they cannot, after such disagreement, be trusted together on the Watch, & that they must be separated.

Now, without the slightest disparagement to M^r Henry, I think he is not fully capable of fulfilling the duties of his position, & if we had a heavy press of business in Silver refining, he could not well attend to firing in the cellar, by reason of

the difficulty of his going up and down stairs.
I therefore think that the true interests of the
Government would be promoted, if he should
resign his position. . . On this point I may remark,
that I am glad to learn, that he can dispense with
his wages, having means sufficient to live without
them.

Morally, I believe Mr Henry to be an esti-
mable man, as the position in which he has been
placed proves; and my recommendation of a
change is solely based upon his quite defective
physical endurance in activity of body; for
the position of watchman in the Refining Dept.
demands at times physical activity.

Respectfully yours

J. C. Booth

M & R

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Ref. Booth, ~~MR~~
Mint of the United States.

Philadelphia, Jan 28 1876

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Subject, Night Watchmen,

McQuaid & Henry, in
Metter's & Ref. Dept.

Recommending that
Henry retire, on acct
of physical incapability.

RD Jan 28/76.

Mint of the United States,

~~Chief~~ COINER'S DEPARTMENT,

Philadelphia, Jan'y 21st 1876

Hon. James Pollock,
Superintendent:

Sir

In reply to the Director's letter of 21st inst, in relation to the loss in the working of silver bullion for the month of December, I would say that the loss in working silver is as variable, as is the character of the silver operated upon.

When silver is very hard and brittle, as it has been ~~until~~ within a month or two, the strips take up very little smoke or dirt from the annealing furnace and rolls, and lose very heavily in rolling, from small particles falling and flying off. Whereas, when the silver is malleable and good, it gains largely in the furnace and from the rolls, and loses very little in the operations. This is the result of long observation and experience. When silver is good it should lose but very

little from the processes of rolling and annealing.

I regret very much that this month's working has been, upon silver, not so good as that of December. Until we receive for working, silver of a uniformly good character, the operations of this department will be variable, so far as losses are concerned.

By a reference to old data in this department, I learn that when the silver operated upon came from Mexico and was excellent in character, and very easily worked, the apparent gains from the annealing furnaces and rolls, were in about the same proportion as that recorded in last month's work.

The apparent gain from the rolls is largely owing to the annealing in an open furnace, and results from deposit of smoke and dirt, all of which is removed in the subsequent boiling in borax and in soap, rinsing and pickling.

Hoping this may prove satisfactory,

I am Truly

Yours

Benjamin H. Hunter
Comer.

A. L. Snowden, Esq
Cincinnati
January 31/76

Explaining loss
in Working Silver
Bulletin in December
1875.

Recd Jan'y 31/76

Mint of the United States,

Treasurer's Office,

Philadelphia, Jan. 29. 1876

Sir:

In accordance with your suggestion to report progress in the case of Mr. L. C. Leidy, my assistant, I take great pleasure in stating that he has been put to the test in the preparation of the Rolls for payment and has come out of the ordeal with distinction. I have seldom come in contact with a man of greater quickness of comprehension, or one more correct in carrying out the details of a business always demanding close attention and often amounting beyond words to define. If any man among your subordinates deserves the em-
-ployment of greater compensation I do not at present recall his name. And I leave the matter with you with the utmost confidence that the right and just thing will be done.

Hon. James Pollock
Superintendent

Respectfully
Wm. B. B. Cash

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M. H. Cobb, &
Cathin
Jan 29/76

Recommending
increase in the pen
dium of L. B. Leidy
Combs,

Recd Jan 29/76

LAW OFFICE OF

EDWARD P. BROWN,

82 DEVONSHIRE STREET,

Rooms 11, 12 & 13.

Residence, No. 2 Wellington Street.

Boston, Jan. 1st 1876.

James Pollock, Esq.,
Supt. of U.S. Mint;
Philadelphia, Pa.

Mr. Haven U.S. Sub. Treas.
has referred me to you for the information
ought of him whether the U.S. silver coins
"one dime" & "quarter dollar" have been always
since the first coining of those pieces of the
same size? If not what is the greatest diam-
eter of smallest of each of those coins ever made,
measured in 1000 of an inch or any other
fraction of great definiteness. The informa-
tion is desired for use in a capital case
here in the state court.

Very Respectfully Yours.
Edward P. Brown.

Edward P. Brown
Boston
Mass
Jan 1. 1876

Asking various
questions in regard
to size and diameter
of Quarter dollar
& Dime.

Coiner's ^{1. 19} reply of Jan
filed herein.

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